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"We'll get the money for a new school if we just keep trying — then we'll hide the kitchen matches so they won't burn it down." This was one of the last thoughts of a man concerned for his community and their children, a man that opened the doors of education for many students. To this educator, Mr. Delbert Eugene Nelson, the senior class dedicates the '69 RAM.

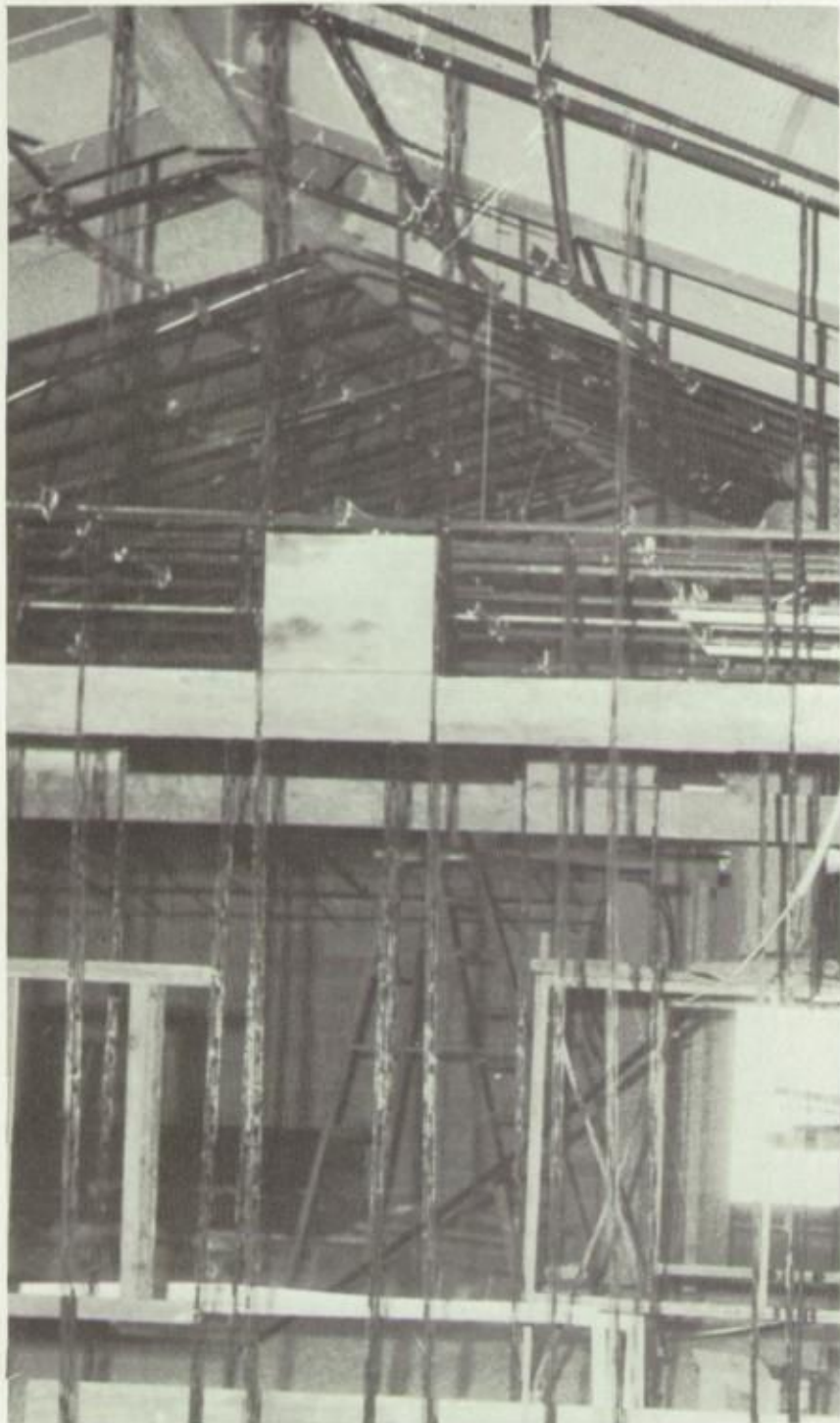
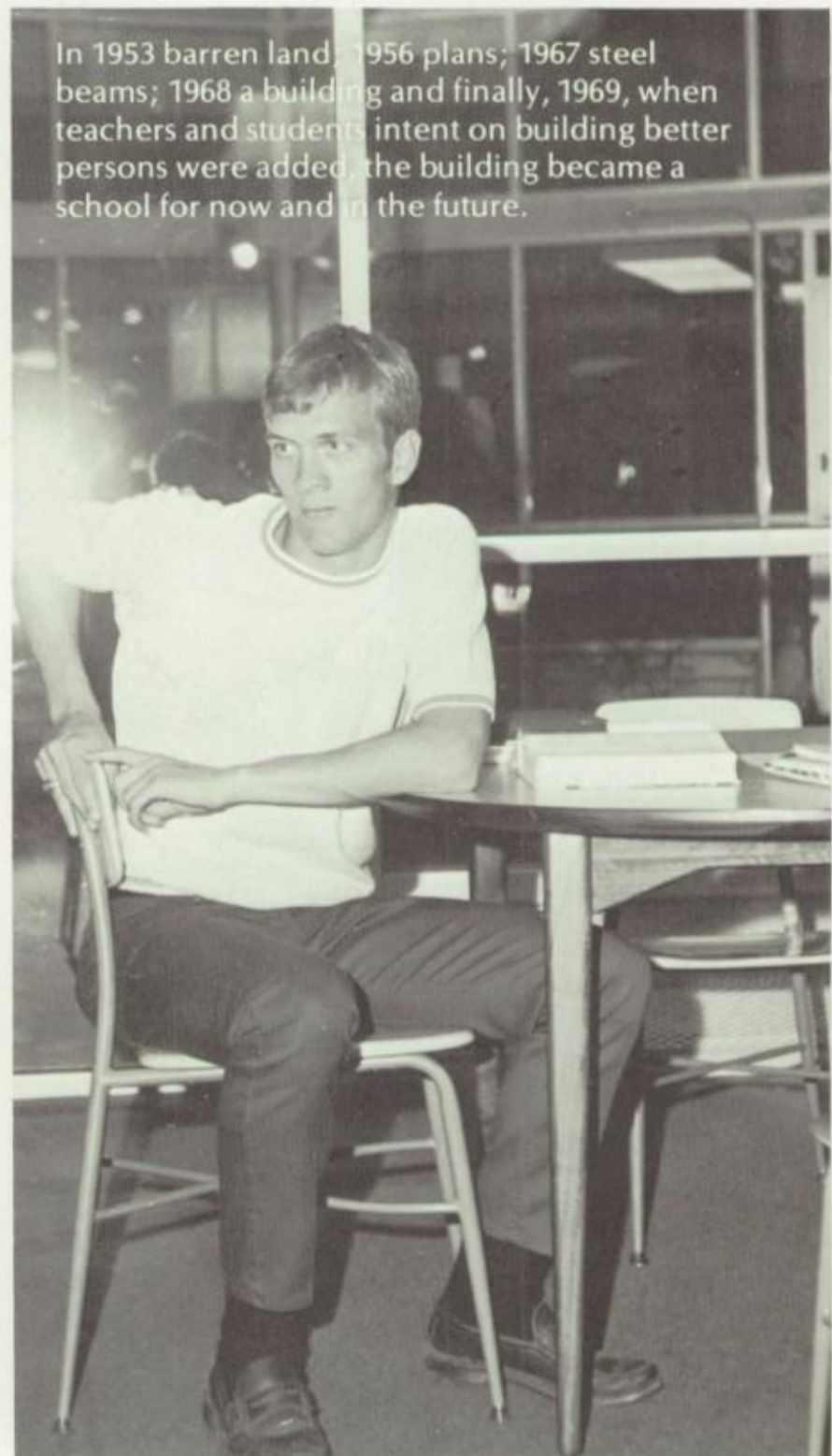


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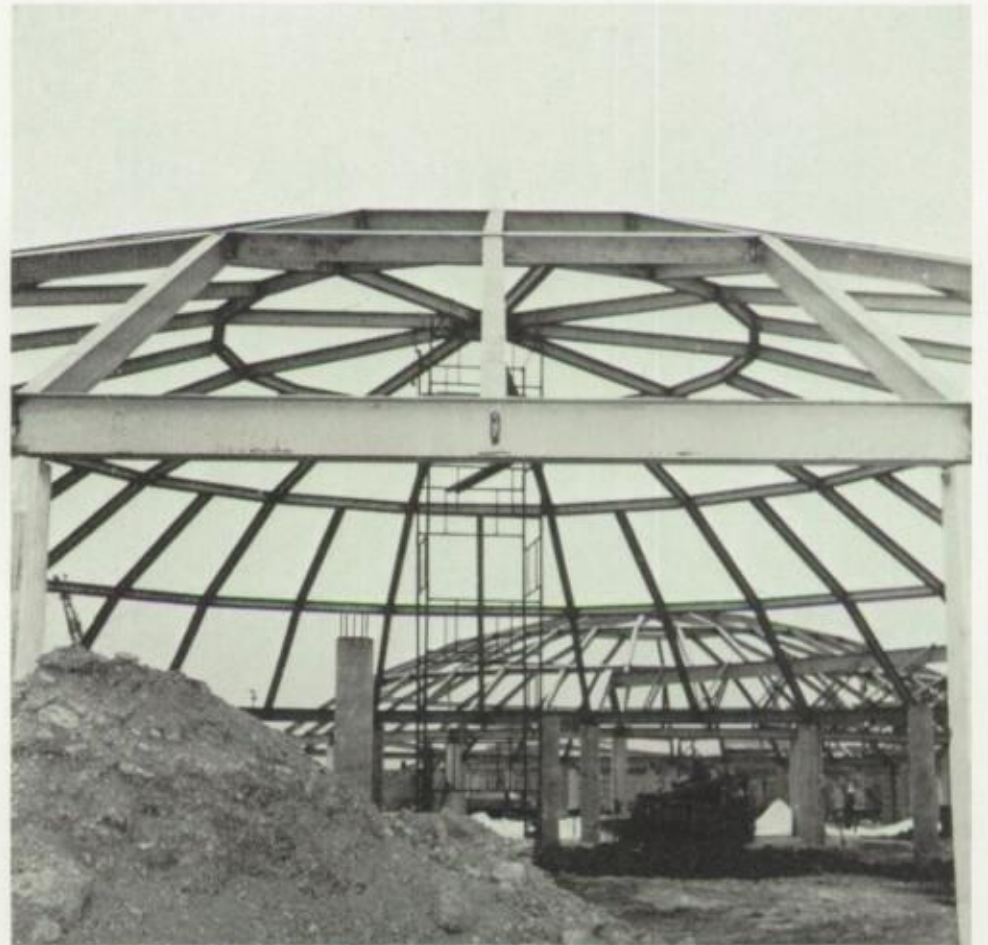
In 1953 barren land, 1956 plans; 1967 steel beams; 1968 a building and finally, 1969, when teachers and students intent on building better persons were added, the building became a school for now and in the future.



Accepting the key to the building from John Shaver, whose firm designed it are Ralston High Principal Earl Pace and Student Council President John Fackler. Members of the Ralston School Board and Vice-Principal Harry Weichel watch.



The Botanical Gardens inner locker area and the teachers' offices take shape during construction.



The steel girder framework of the library and student commons area show the complexity of the unseen under layer of the dome structures. The three-and-a-half million dollar complex is being built by the Hawkins Co.



Sophomores Rhonda McNutt and Tom Grabowski wave goodbye to fond memories of the old Lakeview high school building as they walk upstairs to clean out their lockers in preparation for the move to the new building over Christmas.

Story Of The Year



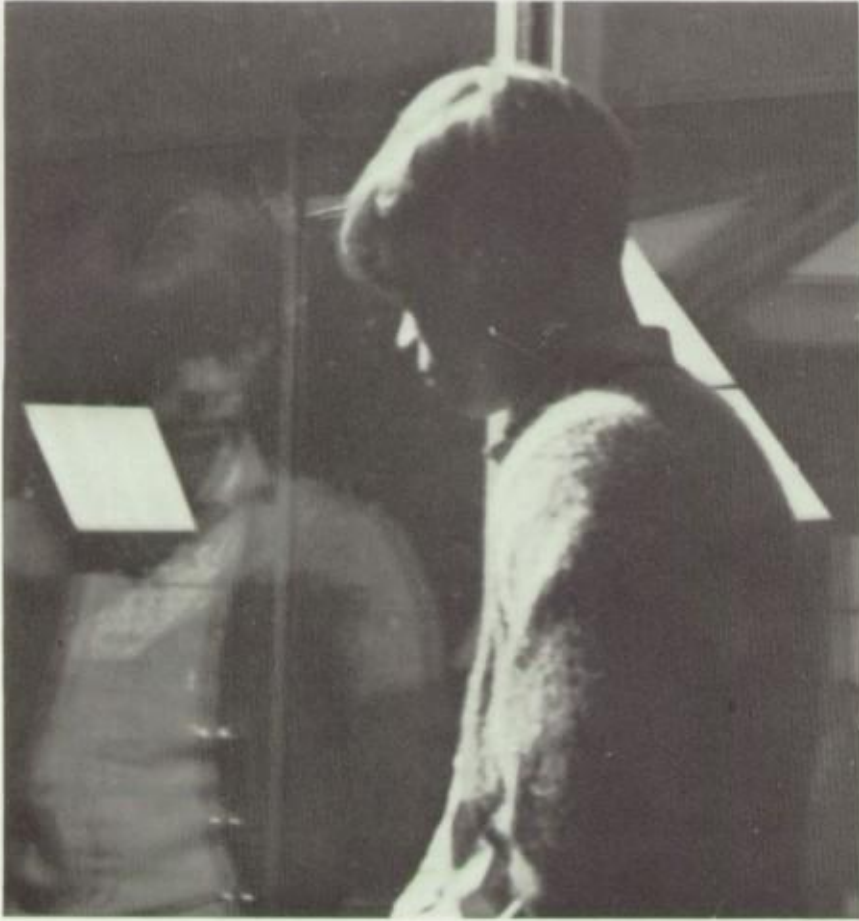
Silhouetted against a clear sky, the framework of the student commons area will soon be filled with busy workmen.



Deserted, silent halls are decked to greet the last Homecoming as the Lakeview building awaits the coming of spirited students.

Stretching to raise the American flag to the top of the flagpole is Junior Jim Gatewood, assisted by Sophomore Pat Mullen.





As the afternoon shadows fall about him, Junior Richard Dotson studies the falling water of the Botanical Garden fountain.



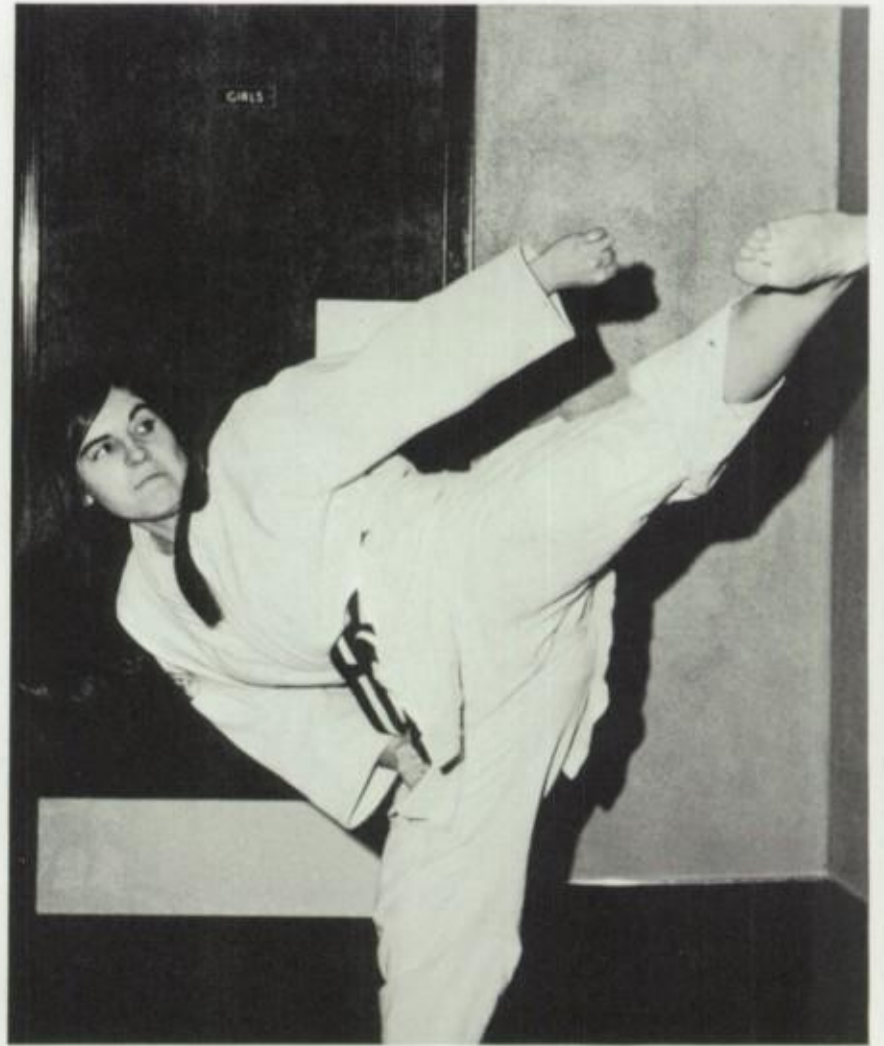
King and Zorita introduce another one of their demonstrations of ESP at one of the Ralston High assembly programs.



Enjoying the brisk coolness of an early spring day, a group of Freshmen and Sophomores take a stroll through the parking lot to inspect the new sports stadium and tracks being built on the east side of the new high school building.



Dashing through the science lecture room, Sophomore Judy Larabee tries to beat the tardy bell and to find her classroom. The winding halls of the new building confuse many students.



Senior Jewell Cummings takes a practice kick at an RHS wall before taking part in the April 3 judo and karate convocation presenting members of the Bel-Air Judo School.



While performing the unpleasant task of relieving a formaldehyde-preserved cat cadaver of its skin, Senior Physiology students Mark Becwar and Hollis Bartz chuckle over pleasanter moments. Dissecting a cat is required during the last quarter of all physiology classes and aids students in analyzing and comparing the systems of four-footed fauna and their human counterpart.

New School Provides Different Uses



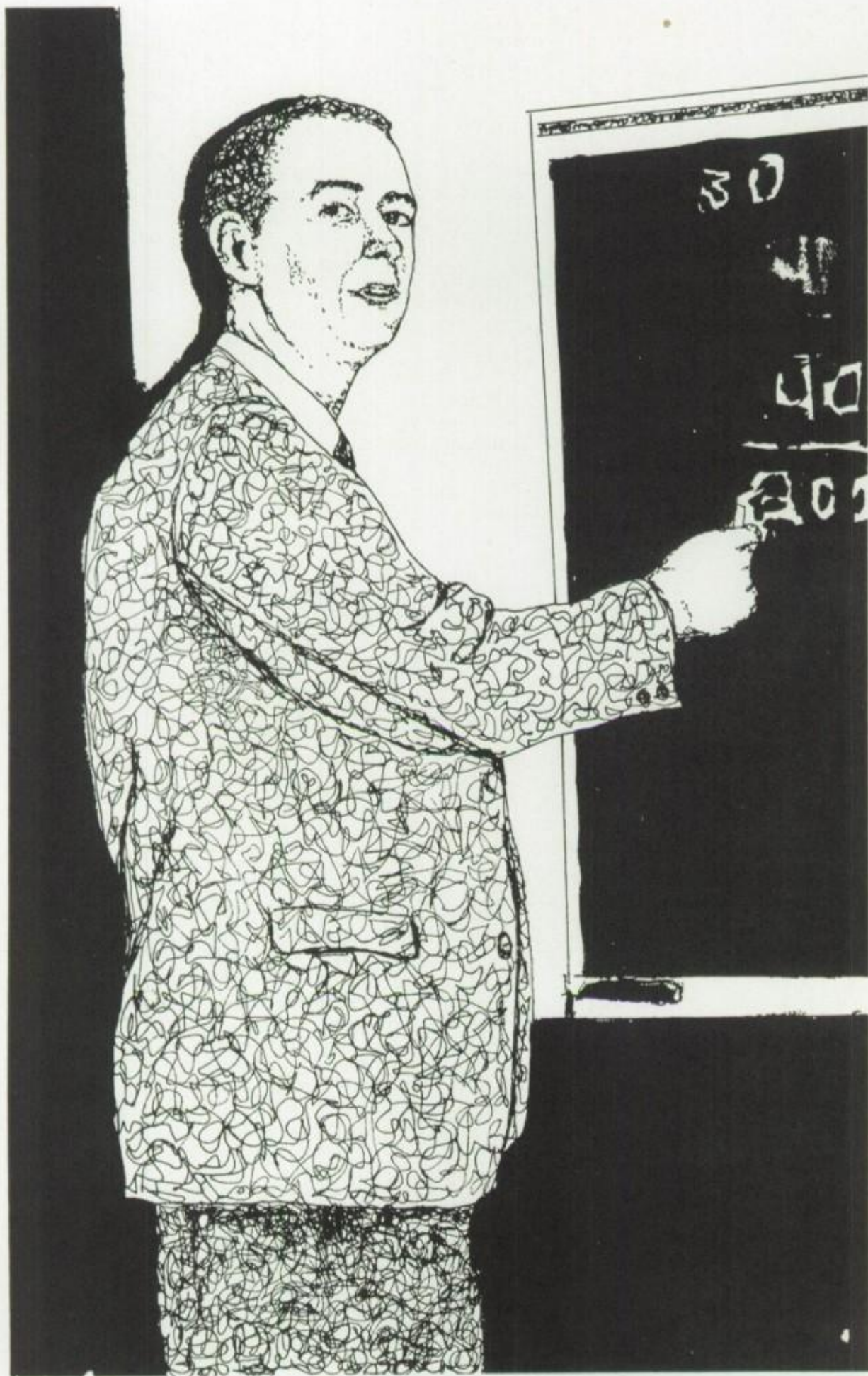
Passing the time while "Waiting for Godot," Estragon, Lucky and Pozzo are told by Boy that Godot's arrival will be put off another day. The play, presented by students of Creighton Prep on March 14, is written by Samuel Becket. The two act, comic tragedy is based on man's reasons for existence, and shows how humanity waits for something to arrive that never comes at all.



Mr. Harry Weichel, vice-principal, lends a helping hand to members of the custodial crew installing wiring for lunch counters.

Social Studies instructor, Mr. Kenneth Allen and Senior Dave Way discuss the opening baseball season in the Botanical Gardens, an area that is usually occupied by conversing students.





FACULTY





RALSTON BOARD OF EDUCATION. FRONT ROW: Mr. John Fifer, Vice-President Mr. Burdette Swanson, Mr. Dale Ruser and President Mr. Lyle Plugge. BACK ROW: Secretary and Superintendent of Schools Mr. Delbert E. Nelson, Mr. Calvin Fisher, Mr. Jack Pearson and Assistant Superintendent of Schools Mr. Charles Larson.



Mr. Delbert E. Nelson is beginning his sixth year as Superintendent of Ralston Public Schools. Mr. Nelson directs the planning and construction of new school, along with setting policies.



Filling the newly created post of Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Charles Larson addresses a group of teachers at the faculty workshop held before the opening of the fall term.

Regulation Helps Students

Staff Works to Improve School

While students and teachers occupied themselves with school assignments and problems, staffs in the administration building pursued tasks of regulating and directing all facets of RHS.

While preparing an adequate budget, determining and enforcing rules and planning a new high school, Mr. Nelson and the Board of Education strove to improve, promote and build values.

Ralston's Principal Mr. Earl Pace worked to promote a good relationship between 650 students and their 42 teachers. Not only did he advise the faculty and handle administrative problems, but he encouraged students to function properly through the activities of Stu-Co and NHS.

As assistant principal Mr. Harry Weichel handled problems arising with the new building and disciplinary problems and also served as a teacher.

The counselors, Mr. Kenneth Bentley, junior and senior classes, and Mr. William Ruf, freshman and sophomore classes, administered tests such as SAT, ACT and PSAT. Students consulted them about personal problems, class changes, college scholarships, admission procedures and applications, the armed services and career plans.



Senior High Counselors Mr. Kenneth Bentley and Mr. William Ruf recall an amusing incident during Parent-Teacher Conferences held at the end of first quarter. Both are sponsors of Stu-Co.



During the hectic week preceding the move from the Lakeview building, Assistant Principal Mr. Harry Weichel takes time to chat with another administrator about schedules at the new building.



Completing the tedious job of moving from the old school into the new one, Senior High Principal Mr. Earl Pace examines some literature about the Quincy Plan of Education.

Debaters Win Several Firsts

While freshmen English students gained proficiency in oral communication and written composition, sophomores and juniors were concerned mainly with American authors traced from the diaries of New England Puritans to the Impressionists.

Senior classes discussed numerous contemporary works and listened to several plays.

"What is Man?" a choral work by Ron Nelson was presented by the Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Duane Petersen. The contemporary oratorio was done with special effects on the stage.

Journalism II students assumed the responsibility of editing the '69 RAM and RAM TALES, the school newspaper, under the direction of Mrs. Charlene Kremke who also taught Journalism I.

Students taking Speech I or II prepared group plays as well as individual speeches and readings. Pupils also learned the fundamentals of speech and theatre mechanics by making use of the textbook, THE STAGE AND THE SCHOOL and several other supplementary texts.

Debate scholars learned the art of debate mainly through practice rounds. Debate tournaments gave them the opportunity to win several firsts.



Mr. D. Petersen, Music
Mrs. K. Jochim, Eng.
Mr. C. Kulish, Eng.
Mr. W. Novak, Eng.

Mr. G. Chalupa, Band
Mr. J. Broberg, Speech
Mrs. G. Gaskill, Eng.
Mr. J. Hill, Eng.
Mrs. R. Borsheim, Eng.

Taking over the part of the villian, Mr. James Broberg, speech and debate coach, conducts auditions for the melodrama.



Listening to their own voices recorded in Spanish, Sophomore Richard Danielson and Junior Donald Vana listen to tapes played by Mrs. Jeanne Stark, Spanish teacher. The new audio-transmitter and individual receiver system is achieved by the looping of the antennae under the carpeting throughout the room.

Students Study Social Sciences

A curriculum which included a study of conjugation of verbs, vocabulary words and grammar rules, faced French and Spanish students taught by Mrs. Judy Shively and Mrs. Jeanne Stark.

Using the new language labs, beginning linguists concentrated on mastering pronunciation by comparing tapes of their own voices to those made by natives of France and Spain. These dictation exercises served to improve listening techniques, oral comprehension and spelling.

Placing the individual into the great jigsaw of society was a vital part of history classes. Courses offered students a study about the nations birth to establish a proper background for study.

American Government and History examined the various agencies and branches of the government established in the Constitution, local governmental structure, social problems of America and the governments of other countries.

Using magazines, book critiques and occasional films for enrichment of daily class discussion, Mrs. Pam Jepsen's Ism classes investigated the various "ism" theories and subversions.



Mr. K. Allen, Hist.
Mr. J. Dimon, Hist.
Mrs. P. Jepsen, Civics

Mr. N. McDonald, History
Mrs. J. Shively, Fr.
Mrs. J. Stark, Sp.

Math Students Analyze Proofs

Using theorems and postulates, students of geometry proved basic laws of relationships between points, lines, and angles. Classes explored proofs, trigonometry and equalities and learned methods to use in the solving of problems. Computing slopes, graphing sets and constructing figures, geometry students acquired the knowledge necessary to move on to higher, more complex levels of the mathematical and logistical systems.

Solving equations, inequalities and functions, RHS students mastered monomials, binomials and polynomials in Algebra I and II. While beginning algebra students concentrated on slope calculations, intercepts and coordinates; advanced classes were introduced to logarithmic systems and complex numbers involving functions.

In the more advanced math courses Math IV, Algebra II, Trig, Slide Rule, students discovered that they were no longer concerned with concrete rules and formulas, but instead with abstract concepts and the application of previously learned information. These abstract ideas proved valuable, not only in complex math courses, but to students pursuing future courses in the sciences.



Senior Theresa Kircher consults Math Instructor Mr. Gene Seran about her Math IV assignment. Mr. Seran is entering into his third year of teaching algebra and contemporary geometry at RHS.



Mr. D. Fleming, Math.
Mr. L. Osterholm, Math.
Mr. K. Peterson, Math.



Mr. J. Reiff, Math.
Mr. G. Seran, Math.

Sciences Demand Detailed Study

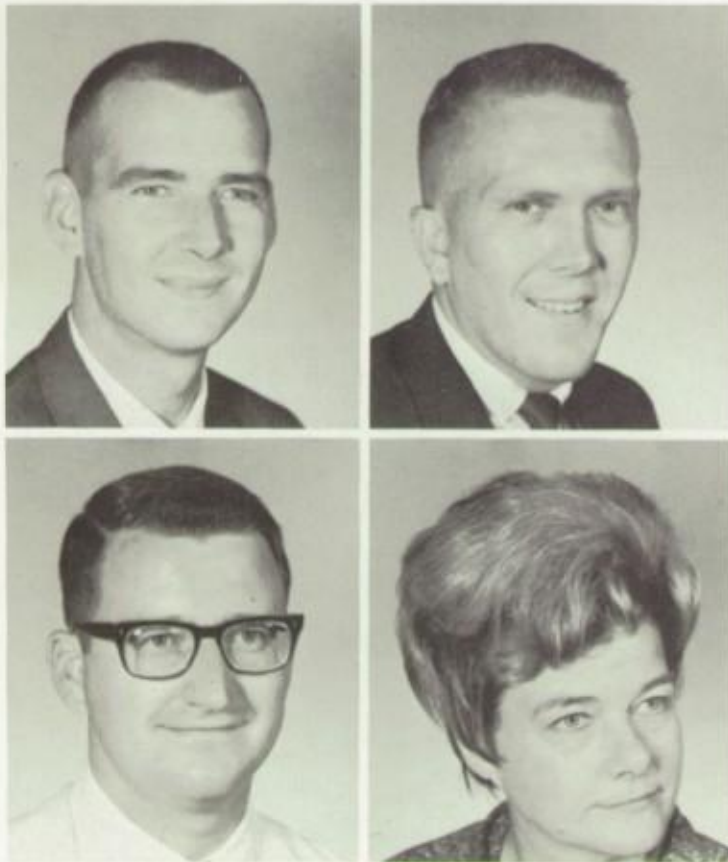
Having moved into the new and spacious science pod, RHS teachers strove towards a goal of instructing for a basic understanding of the scientific process. The fundamental subject in chemistry classes continued to be the study of matter and its changes and properties.

Studying force and motion, physicists students were concerned with laws and properties of matter on the earth. An understanding of the structure and energy of the elements provided a basis for future scientific exploration. During their year of investigation, students analyzed heat, sound, electricity and light during numerous labs.

Biology and physiology students were involved with many projects during the year to build their knowledge about anatomy.

Biology students dissected worms, crayfish, frogs and fish. Physiology students examined the heart of a cow, tested their blood pressure, dissected a cat, and took blood samples which were used to determine Rh factors and blood type.

A new course of study was introduced, Project Lab, which consisted of students working on science projects that were of interests to them.



Mr. K. Gilliland, Sci.
Mr. J. Jorgensen, Sci.

Mr. E. Torring, Sci.
Mrs. E. Trigg, Sci.



Discussing one of the new project lab experiments dealing with the subjection of white mice to several different concentrations of oxygen and the effects on their hearts, respiration and muscles, Mr. Erik Torring and Mr. Keith Gilliland check over reference sheets. These teachers are the sponsors of the new labs.



Mrs. Earla Trigg demonstrates the procedure using measure weight with the help of liquid. Mrs. Trigg's physical science classes occasionally become bogged down with new theories and staggering ideas beyond their belief, but always attain an understanding of the problem with her help.



Mrs. K. Bossart, P.E.

Mr. L. Hill, Swimming
Mr. R. Mackie, P.E.



Despite the chronic overflowing of the pool, an average of 20 students swim each hour. Here Mr. Larry Hill, swim coach, shows Sophomore Bill Priest a new stroke.

Swimming Program Adds to Curriculum



New to Ralston, Mrs. Karen Bossart puts aside gradebook and participates in a modern dance routine with her class. This is the first year modern dance is being offered in classes.

Swimming was offered to physical education students for the first time this year, and Mr. Larry Hill was the new addition to the physical education department as Ralston's first swimming coach and instructor. Mr. Hill and Mr. Robert Mackie, athletic director and department chairman, divided all gym classes in half.

One part of the divided class participated in a twelve-week swimming instruction course under the supervision of Mr. Hill.

Mr. Mackie supervised the remaining group, who worked on the new eleven man weight machine, played field hockey, shuffle board and golf.

Mrs. Karen Bossart, girls' physical education instructor, taught junior girls the principles of modern dance, bowling, volleyball and swimming.

With the help of the new gymnasium, swimming pool and other physical education facilities, the three instructors strove to provide activity courses for all students interested in raising their level of physical fitness and efficiency. They established interest in skills and acquainted students with the practice and rules of both sports and good sportsmanship.

Students Design

Projects ranging from pottery and mosaic designs to designing Christmas cards and record album covers kept art students occupied throughout the school year. Rug making, pencil sketches and ink lettering were included in the course.

For outstanding work, gold keys were awarded to Junior Richard Dotson in photography and Senior John Fackler in water coloring by Brandeis.

The second annual Vocational Arts Fair, displaying industrial arts projects, was presented for students and to the public. Projects were made by woodworking, metalworking, electricity and mechanical drawing students under the supervision of Mr. Gary Dubbs and Mr. Reno Pfeil.

Senior Karen Baratta was named as the 1969 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow for Ralston. Karen earned this award by getting the highest score on a 50-minute written test taken by approximately 50 senior girls from Ralston.

This test of general home economics knowledge was administered by Mrs. Ruth Hammel, who teaches Home Economics. Karen received a specially designed charm for her outstanding score.



Art teacher Mrs. Florence Reckmeyer shows Senior Jane Stnailey the correct techniques to use in the art of weaving.



Mrs. Marlene Perry, who teaches Home Economics and Art classes, demonstrates to Freshman Sue Gorker how to place her pattern on material in the correct manner.



Mr. R. Pfeil, Shop
Mr. G. Dubbs, Shop
Mrs. R. Hammel, Home Ec.

Mrs. M. Perry, Art
Mrs. F. Reckmeyer, Art

Convenient Facilities

Business Courses Offer Opportunities



Mr. L. Dierks, Typing
Mrs. C. Kremke, Bus.,
Journalism

Miss H. Lembke, Bus.
Mr. J. McGrath, Bus.

New facilities proved to be more convenient and brought added opportunities to students in business education this year at Ralston.

Equipment used by Secretarial Training and Clerical Office Practice included electric typewriters for all students, transcribing machines, calculators and adding machines. A duplicating machine and copier were also added to the department and were used by faculty members.

Record keeping dealt with recording facts and events while bookkeeping students studied techniques used by accountants in maintaining multiple ledger, detailed and accurate accounts.

Shorthand classes were busy learning symbols for speed in writing and took dictation recorded at 60 to 90 words per minute through individually set earphones and dictaphones.

The advanced business courses were designed to prepare students for office work. Students in office practices, a new course this year, concentrated on skills such as typing, filing and using the calculators while the secretarial training classes worked on skills essential to be a private or executive secretary.



Explaining to Freshman Michael Murphy how to set the typewriter and use it correctly is Mr. Lee Dierks who teaches Typing I. Mr. Dierks is Nebraska's NEA director.



Business instructor Mr. James McGrath listens attentively to a student's discussion about banking practices in his general business class. This is Mr. McGrath's first year at Ralston.



Junior Kathy Ferren, student librarian, works to keep the card catalogue in order. Fourteen student librarians aid the librarian with such jobs as typing, filing and collecting fines.



Attending to all facets of information concerned with the library takes up the time of Ralston's librarian Melvin Abrahamzon, who is typing information for students' use.

Circular Library Refuge in Knowledge

For peaceful setting in study, inquiry or browsing, Ralston's library provided a reservoir of recorded knowledge. Extensive current magazines and reference sections aided debaters, term paper researchers and working students.

The circular room provided a place for every type of library user. Study carels were provided for students who wished to study quietly by themselves and circular tables for groups of students working together or who wished to quietly discuss their work. For leisurely reading, there were arm chairs accompanied by low tables.

Library research aids included a reference section which included approximately 300 books, the card catalogue, 35 different periodicals and reference material indexes.

Audio-Visual equipment was also stored and checked out from the center. This included 16mm movie projectors, filmstrip and slide projectors, tape recorders, overhead projectors, 8mm loop projectors and equipment for making visuals.

Although the library seemed somewhat barren in the near future even the balcony will be lined with rows of added books.



Taking advantage of the magazines in the reference section of the library, Sophomores Peggy McDonald and Verlee North look through material getting information for schoolwork.

Office Help Keeps School Running in



Once again back to the hustle and bustle of the new school year, Mrs. Mildred Evers, senior high secretary, assists Seniors Diane Lee and Kathy Kiser with their computerized schedules. Mrs. Evers comes to the aid of many students for tardy slips plus scissors, rulers, and an assortment of other items, and is often seen Tuesday and Thursday mornings selling lunch tickets.



Taking a final look at their packing list, Mrs. Evers and Mrs. Swingen check over the whereabouts of the files, records and equipment that will soon be moving with them into the new school.



Under the watchful eye of the Student Council Thanksgiving "Erky Berserky Turkey," Mrs. Lorna Swingen, secretary, ponders the activities of the coming day as she peruses the absentee list.

Efficient Order

Working in the new school brought added responsibility to Ralston's school help.

Increasing from four members at the Lakeview school to nine members at the new high school, the custodial staff headed by Mr. Dean Shuey spent many long hours keeping the school clean and in efficient running order.

The new facilities made cooking easier and preparing meals faster for the cooking staff. Transporting food to the commons area where it was served to students was the main problem of the cooks. Approximately 250 meals were served daily for student and faculty members.

Continuing as "jacks-of-all-trades," Mrs. Mildred Evers and Mrs. Lorna Swingen, office secretaries, were kept busy with the endless requests for help from students and teachers. Other tasks included mailing and recording report cards, down slips and keeping the office running smoothly.

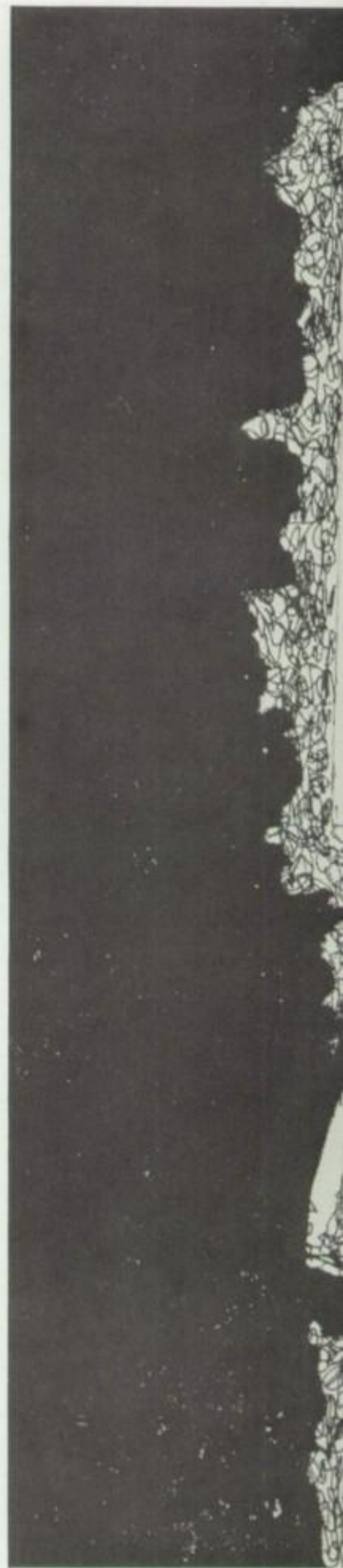
Mrs. M. Theresa Baxter, Ralston's school nurse, spent her time checking each student's height, weight, eye sight and hearing. Her new facilities included two recovery rooms and a general check-up area where most of her work was done.



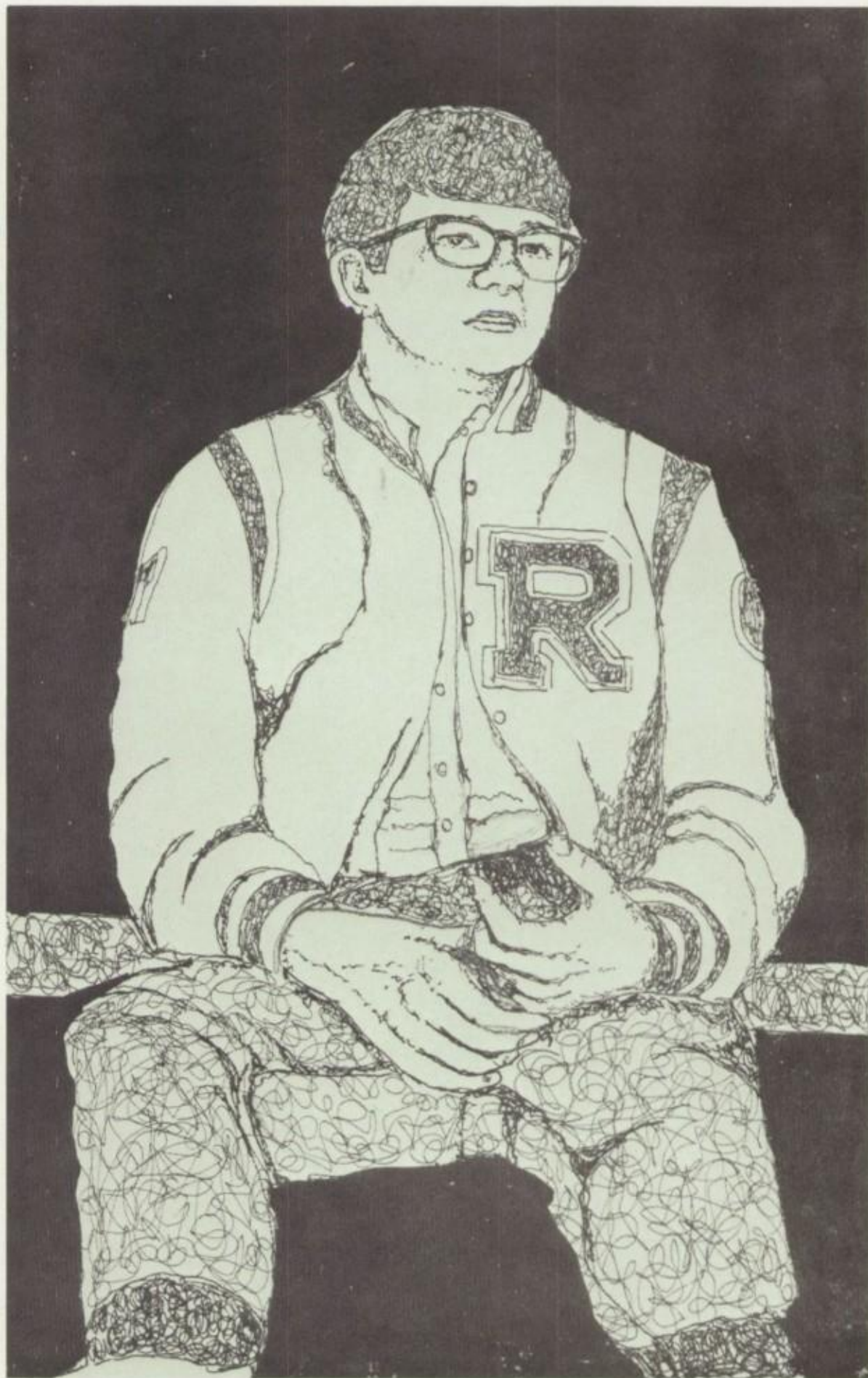
Kitchen staff member Mrs. Ruth Anderson looks down as she helps prepare some of the food that is served to hungry students daily. Changing menus add variety to everyday lunches.



Custodian Mr. Reuben Westling vacuums part of the \$73,000 worth of carpeting which covers 100,000 square feet of space that the night custodial staff cleans every night.



STUDENT LIFE





Putting in extra individual hours after school are Juniors Tom Olsen, Frank Logan and Dick Marolf to perfect "Overture 1812" which was performed by the band at the District Music Contest held at Midland College in Fremont, Nebraska this year.



As part of the annual health checkup, Junior Steve Allen has his hearing tested by Jean Arringdale, a student audiologist.



Senior Judy McCall assists in the high school library by helping check out books to students.

Drama, Art, Music Occupy Spare Time



Before the performance of "The Perils of Pricilla," Junior Russ Lefler rehearses looking mean and evil as Smedley Smidgen.

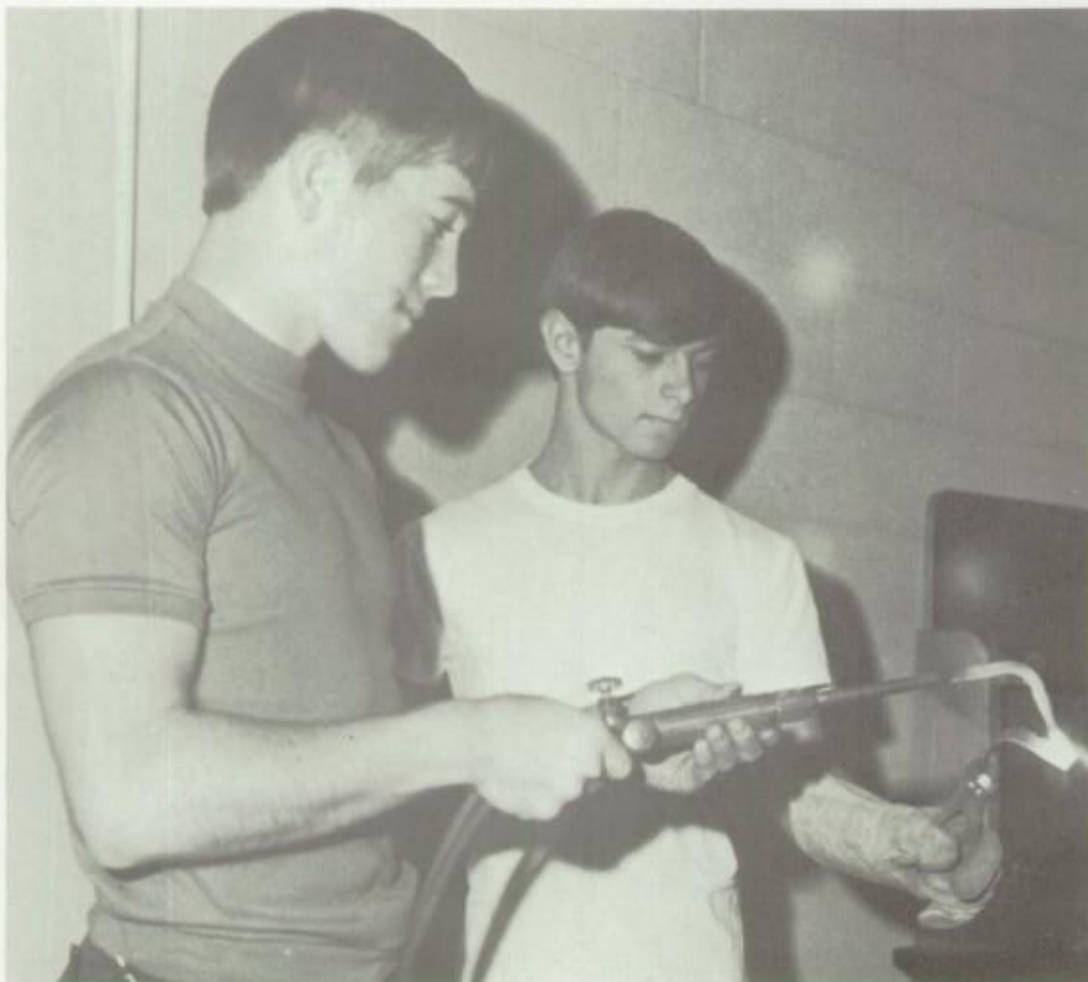


Senior artist Dan Wells looks a little hesitant as he steps back to get a better perspective picture of his painting.



Painting scenery and constructing props in preparation of "An Evening of Melodrama" is the job of Drama Club members Mike Mullen, sophomore and Barb Leffler, freshman.

Class Hours Spent Discussing, Studying



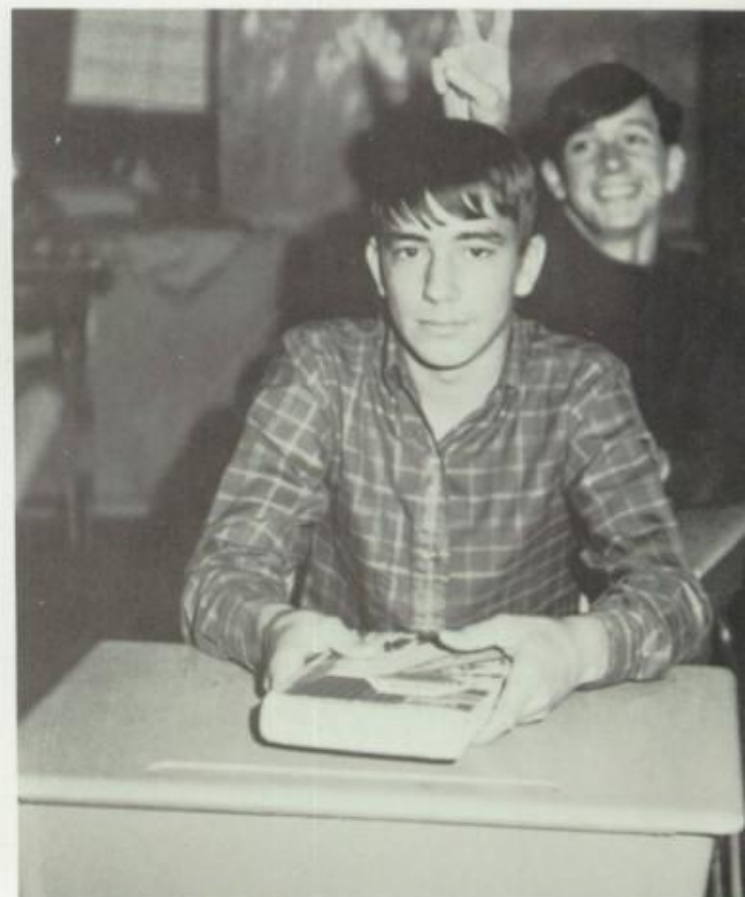
During their metalworking class, Seniors Denny White and Joe Plantmore use a welding torch with a scorching flame to bend a piece of metal which is held with pliers. Joe finds it necessary to wear heavy gloves for protection.



Vigorously trying to make her point clear during a general business class, Sophomore Debbie Nebe resorts to animated gestures.



Audrey Hill and Jackie Svahn, both juniors, make use of the tables surrounding the Botanical Gardens to discuss one of their daily assignments.



Sophomore Steve Moore takes the chance to sneak one on unsuspecting Mike Curran.



Home economics' students Diane Shields and Debra Christensen, freshmen, are busy adding the finishing touches to Diane's dress by measuring and marking the hem.



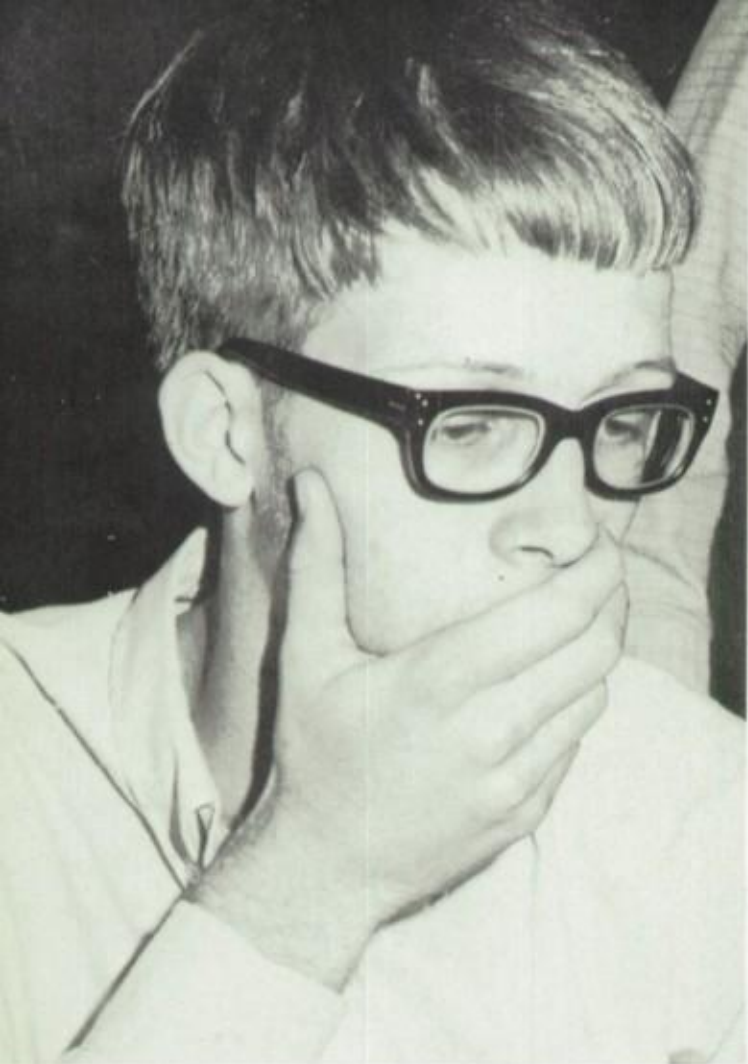
Senior English students Lou Barone, Mark Heavrin, Paul Ziemba and Gary Kratina model the costumes they use for "MacBeth."



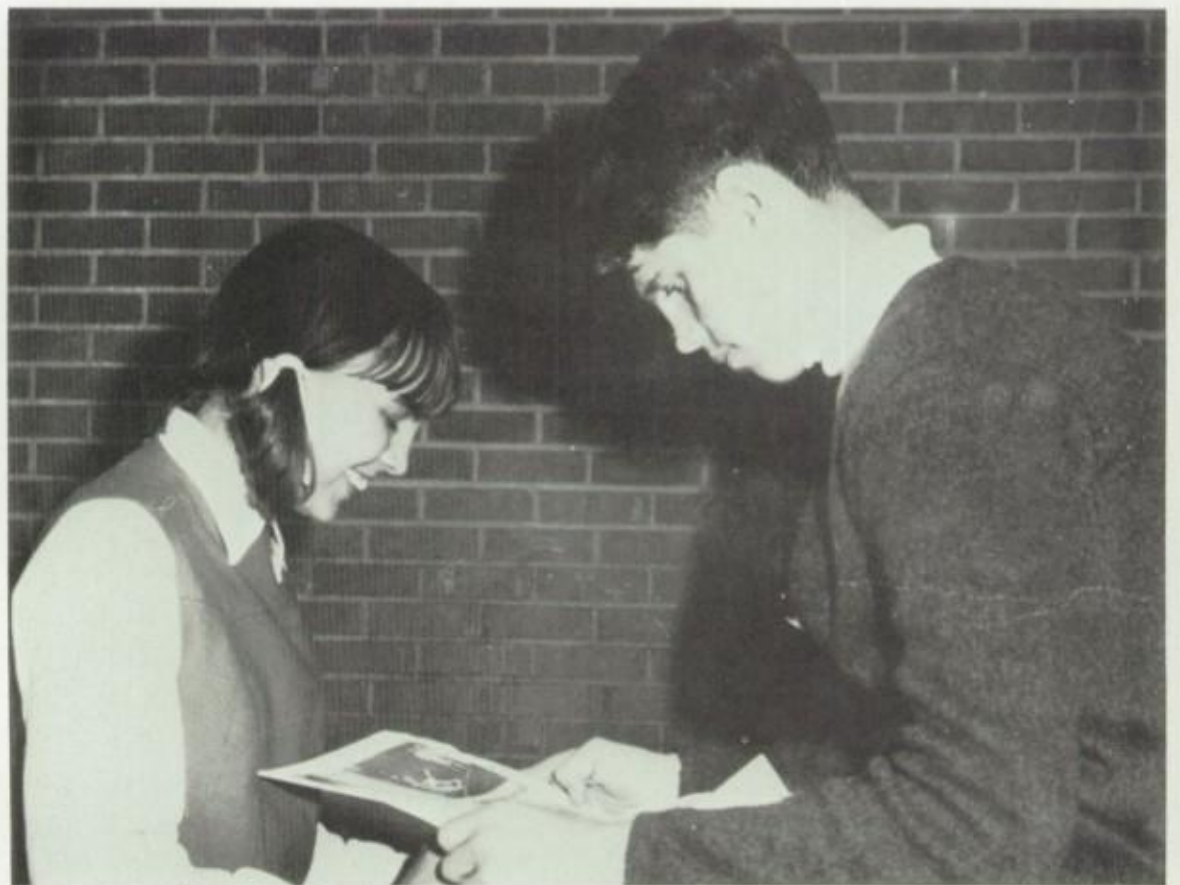
Appearing rather lonesome, Senior Joan Jeffrey realizes that this is one of her last days at Ralston High.



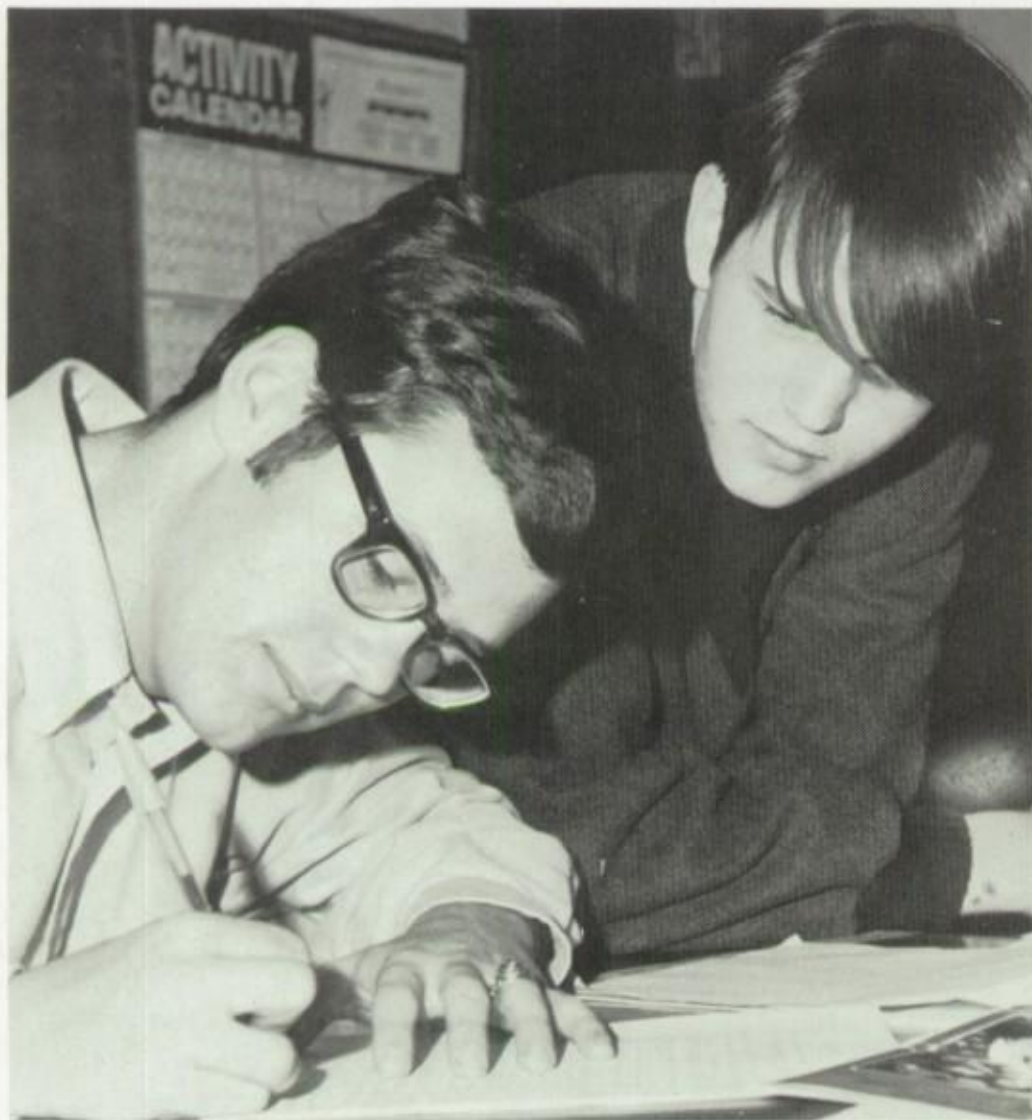
Eagerly awaiting the lunch bell, Senior Rog Phelps forgets about American Problems while Senior Vickie Weix studies.



Junior Bill Rogers suddenly remembers the American history test he forgot to study for over the weekend.



Freshman Sandy Struthers and Sophomore Dave Durham peruse the bi-weekly edition of the Ralston High school newspaper, RAM TALES. Dave's attention is focused on the sports page while Sandy appears to be having some trouble reading it upside down.



Contemplating each of his answers, Senior Doug Phelps completes admission application to Norfolk Junior College under the eye of Junior Clayton Collier.



Using the pool table at the Youth Center, Senior Barb Peterson sets up her next shot.

Students Enjoy Cake, First Car Smash



Mrs. Marlene Perry, art teacher, watches as Mr. Stephen Polchert, instructor at Boys Town, works with pottery.



During an FHA meeting, Michelle Brinker and Mary Teshack, sophomores, and Senior Linda Willers discuss future projects for the club.

Senior John Vaughan, Juniors Pam Nelson, Sherry Skelton and Sophomore Marilyn Peters celebrate the performance of "What Is Man?"

After purchasing a ticket from the Student Council, Senior hammer-swinger Dennis Arfmann takes his turn at demolishing the car for the Homecoming Car Smash.





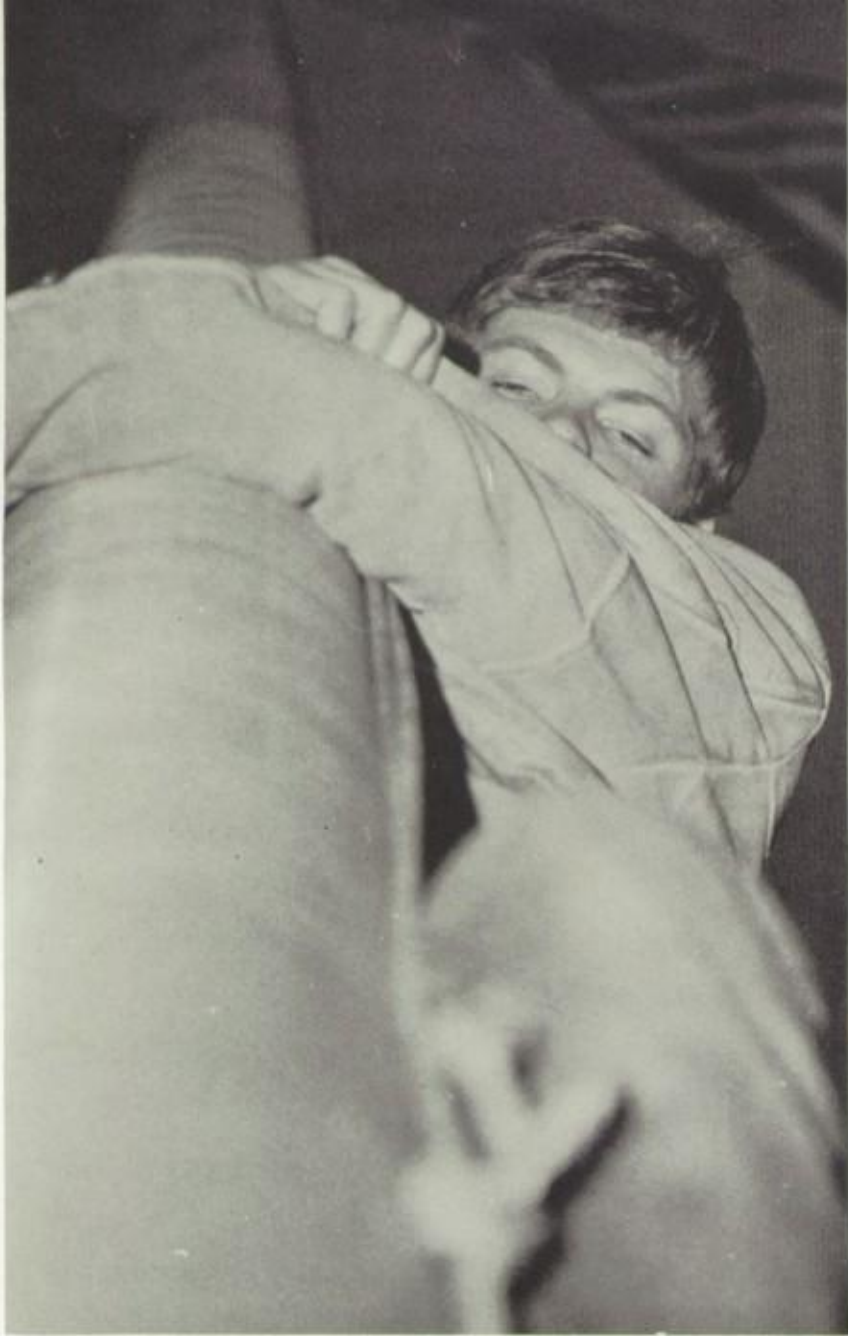
Trying to find his next classroom, Sophomore Dennis Pearson pauses to catch his breath after running around in circles while Douglas Ott, also a member of the sophomore class, offers his assistance; although he is probably just as confused.



Senior Jason Wyscarver, alias Santa Claus, tries to figure out how to get all those presents to all those kids.

Pete Thomas, freshman, is the first in the line of students that stop between classes to get a drink of water.





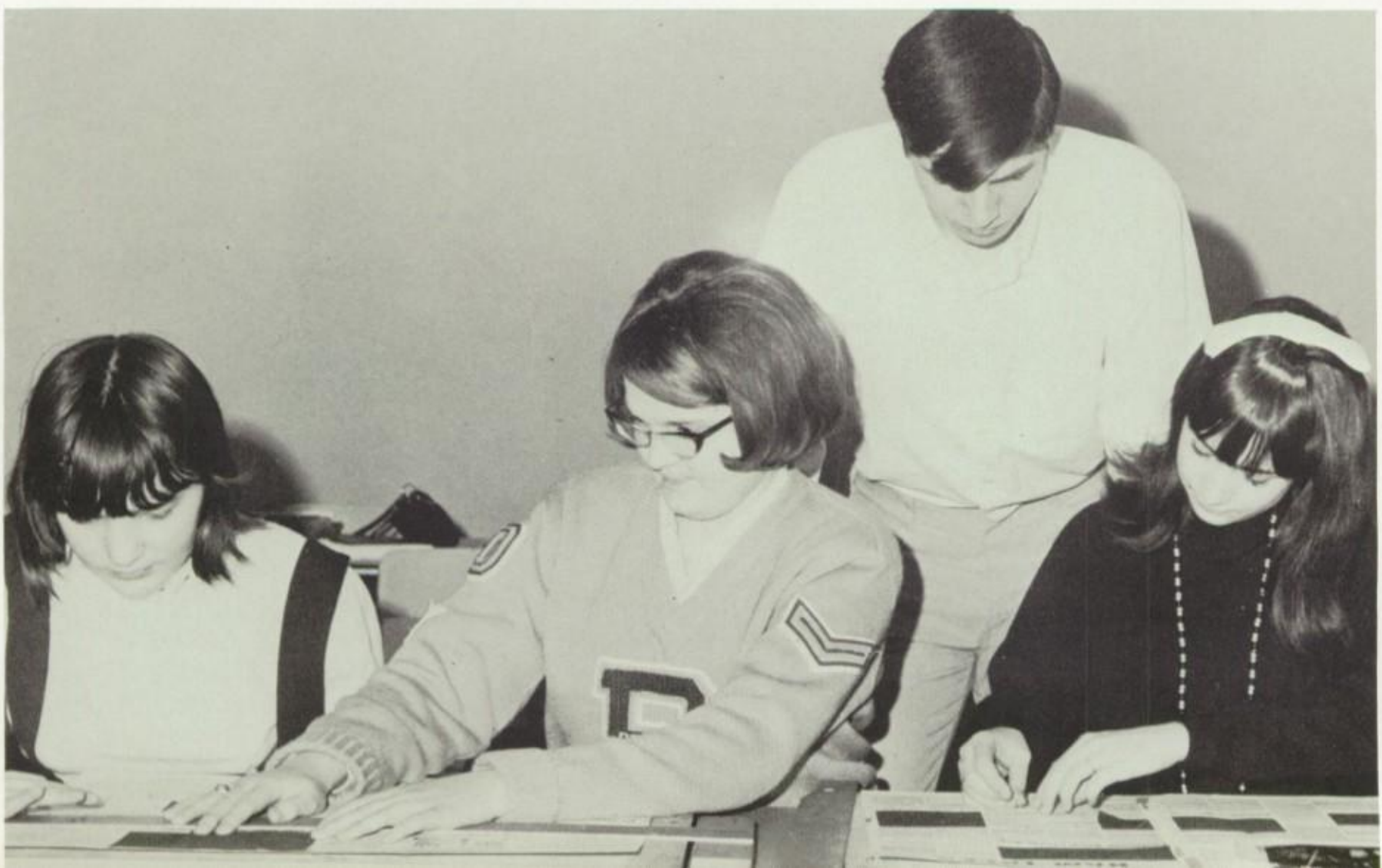
Attempting to take down the flag the hard way, Senior Jeff Morris pauses to decide if the stunt is really worth it.

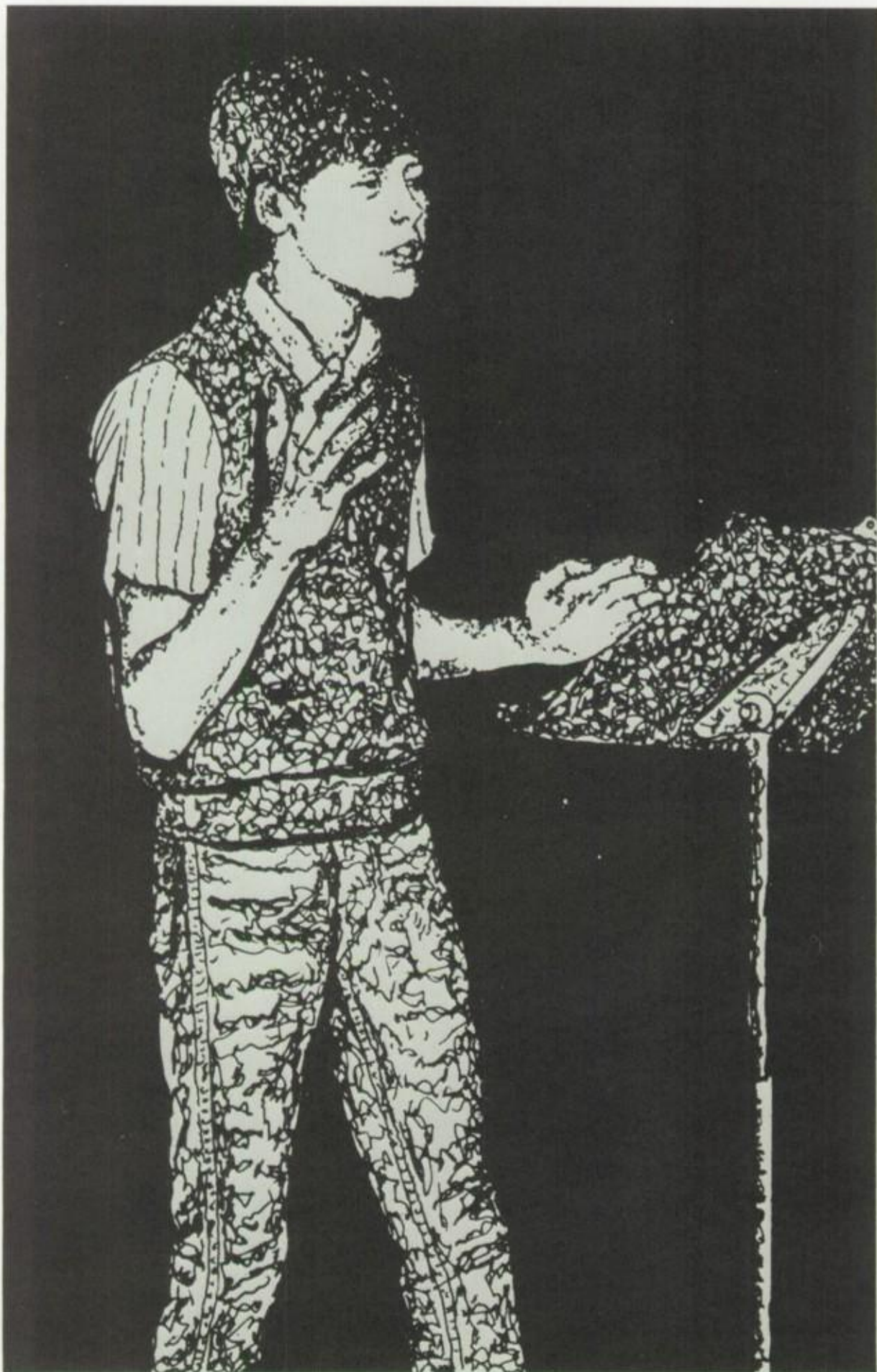
Students Research In Project Lab



Senior Dale Curtis dissects a white mouse as an out-of-class experiment for the Physiology Projects Lab while Barb Chamberlain, also a senior, serves as his surgical nurse.

Journalism I students, Sophomore Pat Mullen, Junior Pam Metzger, Sophomore Dave Segobia and Junior Deb Harmon, proofread the school newspaper, RAM TALES, which is done by the Journalism II class, before it is sent down to the printers.





ACTIVITIES



Chili Supper Attracts Large Crowd



Sophomore Glenna Eckhardt and Senior Ster West stop at King's after the morning's musical performance in Grand Island.

Numerous projects kept the Ralston High vocal music department busy throughout the school year.

The main project of the entire department was the annual Chili Supper which was held in the Commons, February 9 with 900 people in attendance.

Ralston's Mixed Chorus taped Christmas songs for KOIL radio station, and sang the same songs at the Crossroads and at the annual Christmas program December 16, which was held in the old gym.

"What Is Man?" also kept the Mixed Chorus practicing as did District Music Contest at Fremont, April 25-26 where the group sang two numbers.

Swing Choir also taped Christmas songs for KOIL, performed at the Crossroads and contest, plus taped two Teen Topics shows for Channel 6 TV.

In addition, the ambitious group of 20 singers and four accompanists had over 30 singing engagements for various groups in the Omaha area.

Girls' Glee was under the direction of Chorus Director Duane Peterson, and the group's only performance was the Christmas program.

A Prep Chorus and Prep Swing Choir, consisting of Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors, were initiated into the department.

Both of these groups served as a preparation for the Mixed Chorus and New Town Criers and gave younger singers the needed experience.



MIXED CHORUS. FRONT ROW: P. Schmidt, S. Opperman, D. Harmon, G. Borsheim, M. Carl, J. Larrabee, V. North, M. Chamberlin, A. Jackson, M. Peters, A. Finnell, R. McNutt, R. McNutt, B. Peterson, J. Matsen, B. Chamberlain. ROW 2: K. Geiler, J. Geiler, S. Chandler, J. Elliott, B. Borsheim, G. Eckhardt, L. Freel, J. TeKrony, P. Nelson, D. Miller, S. Skelton, B. Bancroft, G. Moran, T. Shields, C. Johns, D. Bane, J. Gulliver. ROW 3: D. Jones, V. Shields, C. Larkins, S. West, J. Foy, L. Plugge, R. Skelton, K. Vaughan, H. Herron, P. McLaughlin, D. Borsheim, M. Vaughan, D. Williams, S. Marolf. BACK ROW: K. Lacy, J. Vaughan, M. Antonson, E. Foy, M. Freel, C. Wendt, D. Phelps, S. Jensen, R. Siewerdsen, S. Forbes, A. Brodbeck, D. Marolf.



SWING CHOIR. FRONT ROW: J. Gulliver, section leader; A. Finnell, J. Matsen, secretary; S. Skelton, P. Schmidt, G. Eckhardt, M. Chamberlin, K. Geiler, J. Geiler, section leader; V. Shields. BACK ROW: L. Plugge, section leader; S. Forbes, treasurer; D. Phelps, president; H. Herron, D. Marolf, J. Vaughan, E. Foy, S. West, C. Wendt, section leader; A. Brodbeck.



Freshman Ken Wind helps a hungry family by pouring coffee at the third-annual Chili Supper held in the Commons.



Sleeping soundly on Senior Mick Antonson's shoulder is Senior Mike Freel, tired from the long trip home from Grand Island.

PREP CHORUS. FRONT ROW: J. Peterson, L. Graves, L. Catania, D. Shields, C. Pace, D. Kellberg, P. Segobia, S. Tadlock, L. Waschinek, J. Walker, K. Fry, S. Hundt, S. Struthers, D. Nyhaug, N. Fisher, L. Cawley, M. Webb. ROW 2: K. Jorgensen, V. Mahan, K. Phelps, D. Royer, J. Kent, P. Smith, B. Copenhaver, L. Kowal, C. Perekslis, S. Noel, B. Sheppard, K. Hickman, C. Tompkins, N. Pospichal, P. McDonald, D. Ranslem, K. Jackson. ROW 3: R. Hamblen, R. Wolverton, B. Jacobi, K. Kronberg, J. Ivey, D. Smith, S. Te Krony, G. Kettelhut, T. West, M. Friesz, M. Hossler, T. Rowe, S. Larson, K. Wind, R. Delgado. BACK ROW: D. Gould, P. LeBlanc, W. Hangren, C. Hutchins, S. Ruser, R. Bruns, D. Durham, M. Jackson, B. Watkins, D. Holmes, R. Majors, D. Johnson, B. Forbes, D. Williams.



Chorus Questions "What Is Man?"



GIRLS' GLEE. FRONT ROW: V. Mahan, G. Walasek, B. Chamberlain, S. Opperman, P. Schmidt, D. Royer, S. Skelton, G. Moran, J. Larrabee, R. McNutt, R. McNutt, A. Finnell, M. Chamberlin, V. North, B. Peterson. ROW 2: J. Kent, K. Phelps, C. Miller, L. Catania, M. Carl, M. Peters, N. Pospichal, M. Watson, D. Bane, D. Ranslem, S. Noel, P. McDonald, C. Tompkins, M. Webb, C. Pace. ROW 3: G. Eckhardt, D. Jones, C. Sundquist, B. Borsheim, J. Geiler, K. Geiler, L. Freel, K. Fry, D. Nyhaug, S. Marolf, V. Weix, L. Lozier, J. Matsen, B. Bancroft. BACK ROW: V. Hastings, G. Borsheim, V. Shields, S. Chandler, J. Walker, B. Copenhagen, P. Smith, N. Fisher, M. Olmstead, C. Johns, K. Hickman, J. Gulliver, A. Jackson, B. Sheppard, S. Struthers.



Guest soprano soloist for "What Is Man?," Mrs. Mildred Slocum looks over her part one more time before singing.



Mr. Duane Peterson, vocal music director, pauses to check the musical score at a Messiah rehearsal.

at March Performance

Perhaps the biggest undertaking for the RHS Chorus was the production of Ron Nelson's "What Is Man?" in the auditorium March 13.

This extremely modern cantata dealt with the dilemma of man as he struggled to reach the stars while war waged in his own land.

It presented a question to listeners which was, "Why go into space when there are so many unsolved problems here on earth?"

Soprano and baritone solo parts were sung by well-known Omaha soloists Mrs. Mildred Slocum and Mr. William Kellogg while Ralston Speech Instructor Mr. James Broberg acted as narrator.

Adam and Eve were represented by the lines of the soloists, and Mr. Broberg acted as the conscience of man, reminding him of his limitations in his quest for knowledge and power.

"What is man? Dust of the earth, marked with God's sign,
Made for dominion, tangled and tortured, Free, but lost in
the way."

Many hours were spent practicing in the auditorium by the entire group trying to coordinate the differing actions into one meaningful presentation of the three-part cantata.



Singing "Charade" at the Chili Supper sponsored by RHS Chorus Senior Charles Wendt is accompanied by Sophomore Glenna Eckhardt and Senior Dave Fry.



Members of Chorus practice long and hard hours to perfect the upcoming performance of "What is Man?" to be performed March 13. Chorus periods were used for practice sessions and dress rehearsals.

RHS Band Parades At State Fair



Junior Jackie Svahn, head baton twirler for the band, perfects her stance for football half times.



BAND. FRONT ROW: K. Hickman, P. Schmidt, S. Lamb, G. Borsh-eim, B. Drapalik, M. Kunz, C. Sundquist, P. Metzger, B. Copenhav-er, C. Pace, G. Moran. ROW 2: V. North, D. Ranslem, S. Timm, J. Foy, R. Meisinger, P. Williams, S. Larson, C. Collier, S. Ustohal, J. Matsen, B. Bancroft, treasurer; J. Geiler, vice-president; J. Gulliver,

Sophomore Terry Foster grimaces at one of his mistakes while practicing on the kettle drums.





secretary. ROW 3: F. Logan, D. Vana, J. Kent, D. Miller, K. Kronberg, S. Marolf, K. Sykora, E. Foy, B. Leffler, S. Lane, D. Buchanan, D. Marolf, D. Curtis. ROW 4: K. Fry, T. Olson, N. Pospichal, A. Jackson, president; A. Finnell, D. Borsheim, T. West, T. LeBlanc, H. Herron, B. Peterson, B. Dunn, B. Brabec, K. Geiler. ROW 5: R. Siewerdsen, M. Olmstead, D. Phelps, A. Brodbeck, R. Danielson, S. Houck, S. Ruser, K. Peterson, D. Metzger, T. Foster. BACK ROW: T. Taylor, S. Jensen, B. McMahonill, S. Beard, S. Forbes, B. Mehlhop, D. Fry, Gerald Chalupa, director.



Musicians Gretchen Borsheim, Betty Drapalik and Marjorie Kunz start playing as Senior Sandy Lamb counts three.

Band Receives Standing Ovation for



Listening for obvious mistakes, Mr. Robert Marr, assistant band director, will stop the group to give help and suggestions for a better sounding march.



Playing the trumpet for three years in the Pep Band, Senior Doug Phelps now directs the group.

Band Secretary Judy Gulliver and President Ann Jackson take time-out to rest while they listen to fellow band members talk about the day's happenings. Practicing is next on their agenda as the concert time nears.



Concert at NMEA Clinic in Grand Island

Attending the Thirty-Third Annual Nebraska Music Educator's Clinic at Grand Island on Nov. 22 was a highlight of the year.

Selection was made after the group submitted various tape recorded songs in the spring of 1968. Last fall, notice was given that Ralston had been selected from the entries.

In Grand Island, Mr. Robert Marr, assistant band director, was the emcee, announcing each number before the selection was played.

Different sections of the band were featured in various melodies along with the combined effort of the complete band and chorus in "For This Dear Land." Other selections were played.

During the intermission, Ralston Superintendent Delbert Nelson spoke and included a short history of Ralston and its school system.

After this adventure, band started working for the Inauguration Parade and the privilege of playing for President Richard Nixon. In November, word was received that Nebraska Wesleyan had won the trip to Washington.

Tryouts were held April 7 for the District Band Contest held April 25, 26.

Mr. Gerald Chalupa, band director, adjusts the tape recorder to tape and judge the band's practice.



Sophomore John Foy plays "Francesca", a classical Tchaikovsky, while later on he plays contemporary "Masque."



RALSTON PEP BAND. CENTER: D. Gillpatrick. BACK ROW: A. Brodbeck, S. Houck, R. Danielson, S. Ruser, S. Forbes, B. Mehlhop, M. Banks, R. Brabec, H. Herron, D. Phelps.



Fully dressed with his instrument ready for a football half time performance, Junior Frank Logan tunes his saxophone.

First Semester Test

Presenting concerts, attending clinics, marching in parades and performing at athletic event half times kept the 69 band members busy.

For the first time, a semester test was given to every band member. These tests judged a member's music theory instead of playing ability.

Mr. Gerald Chalupa, band director, explained that this method of advancement organized musicians into first, second and third classes.

A person's posture, instrument tuning, breath control, rhythm and technique were judged. Going before the band officers, directors and section leaders and playing a solo was required before passing a unit. These tests will begin in Junior High school and will continue until graduation.

Band members were entertained by a clarinet choir from U.N. at Omaha on Jan. 30.

Mr. Kermit Peters, director, told how the 27 seniors could audition for a music scholarship.

On March 2, the concert band presented a public concert in the new auditorium.

A profit of \$500 was earned on the annual magazine sale held in the fall. The money was used to pay for a colored picture in the annual.



Sophomore Rudi Siewerdsen and Senior Bert McMahon regulated the chimes for a more harmonious effect before band practice.

Divides Band into Three Ability Classes



Playing at the new school for the last home basketball game against Ryan, Senior Alan Brodbeck plays "Grand 'Ole Rams." The Pep Band inspires Ram boosters during all home and away games.



Silently watching the opposing team make a basket, Senior Dan Gillpatrick waits for his cue to start another number.



Practicing on their clarinets for an upcoming concert are Sophomore Darlene Ranslem and Freshman Barbara Leffler.

New Drama Club Enjoys Busy Season

Members of the drama club were kept busy throughout the year with various projects.

Two melodramas, "The Miner's Daughter" and "The Perils of Priscilla," were presented to audiences of 400 people each night in a two night showing in the little theatre which seats 496.

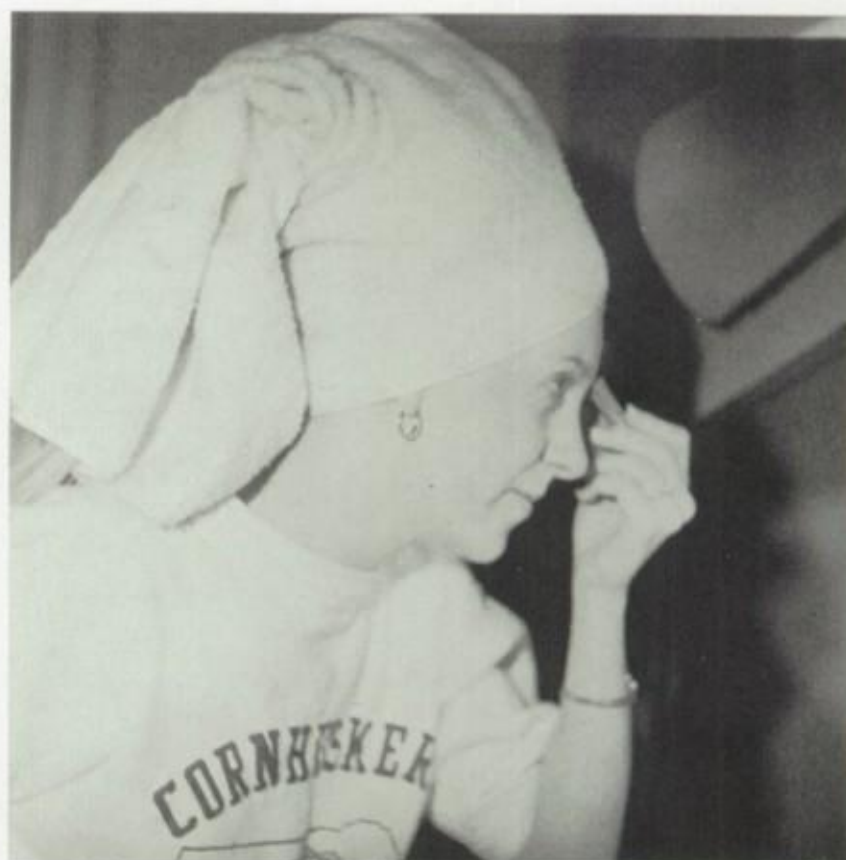
High honors were received by members of the Debate and Speech teams during the year.

Debate teams of Juniors Russ Leffler and Rick Skelton and Pat Mitchell and Bob Dunn brought glory to Ralston as they placed second at the Omaha Marion Debate Tournament out of 92 teams. This tournament was the largest state debate competition with schools from Omaha, Council Bluffs and outstate Nebraska represented.

Other events were entered in Extemporaneous Speaking, Poetry, Interpretive Public Address and Radio Newscasting and Commentary.

Thirteen Drama Club members took the first-place trophy at the Ak-Sar-Ben Conference Speech Contest. Ralston became the first school to win nine out of eleven possible superiors.

Three one-act plays were presented by the club in the spring drama production.



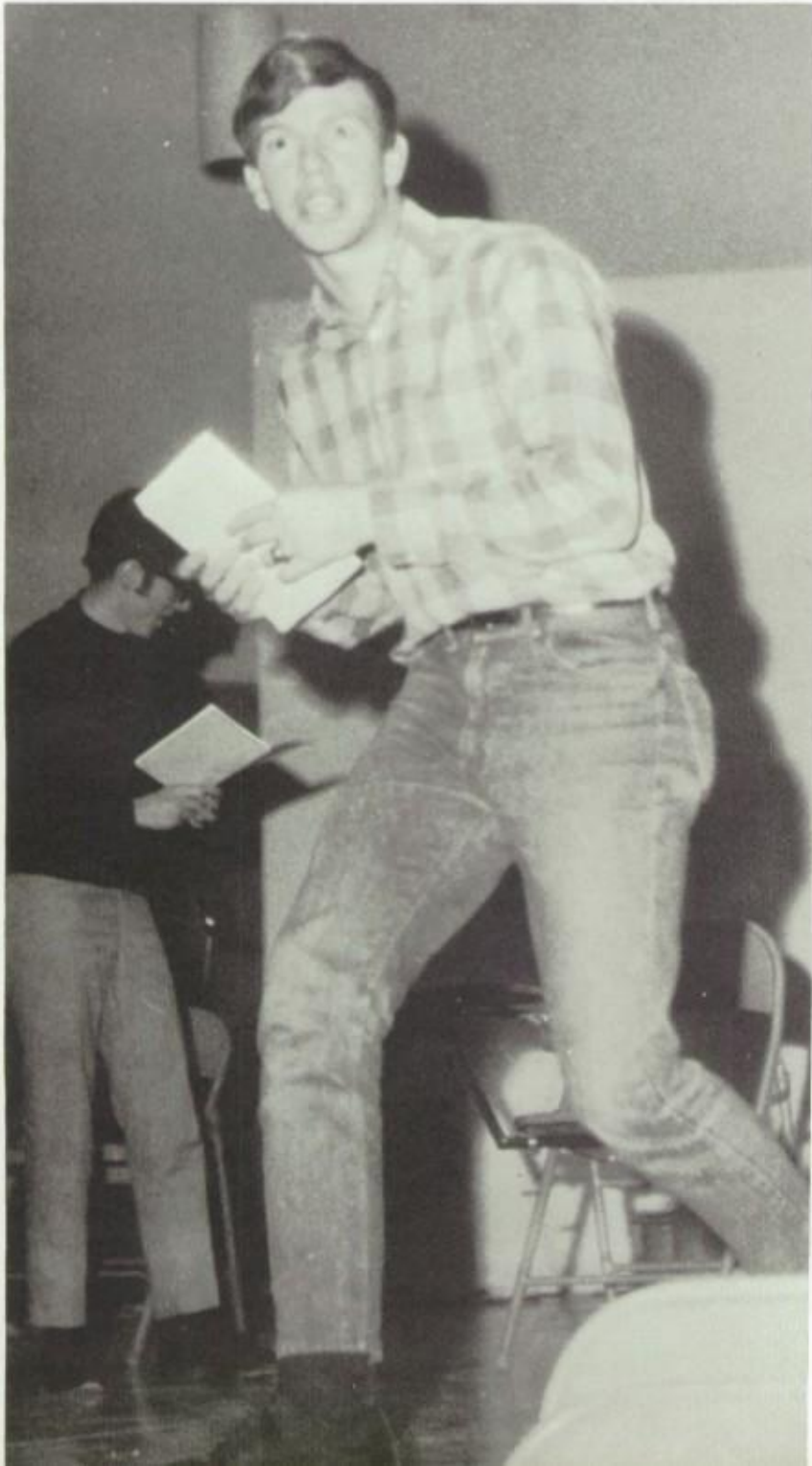
Applying make-up for her part as Miss Tyler in "The Perils of Priscilla," is Senior Gretchen Borsheim, who took honors at the Ak-Sar-Ben Speech Contest with her portrayal of "Lizzie" Borden.



Drama club members Theresa Bozak and Cathy Houston watch play practice as Tillie, Freshman Barb Leffler; Miss Tyler, Senior Gretchen Borsheim and Miss Priscilla, Junior Cindy Fisher rehearse their parts.

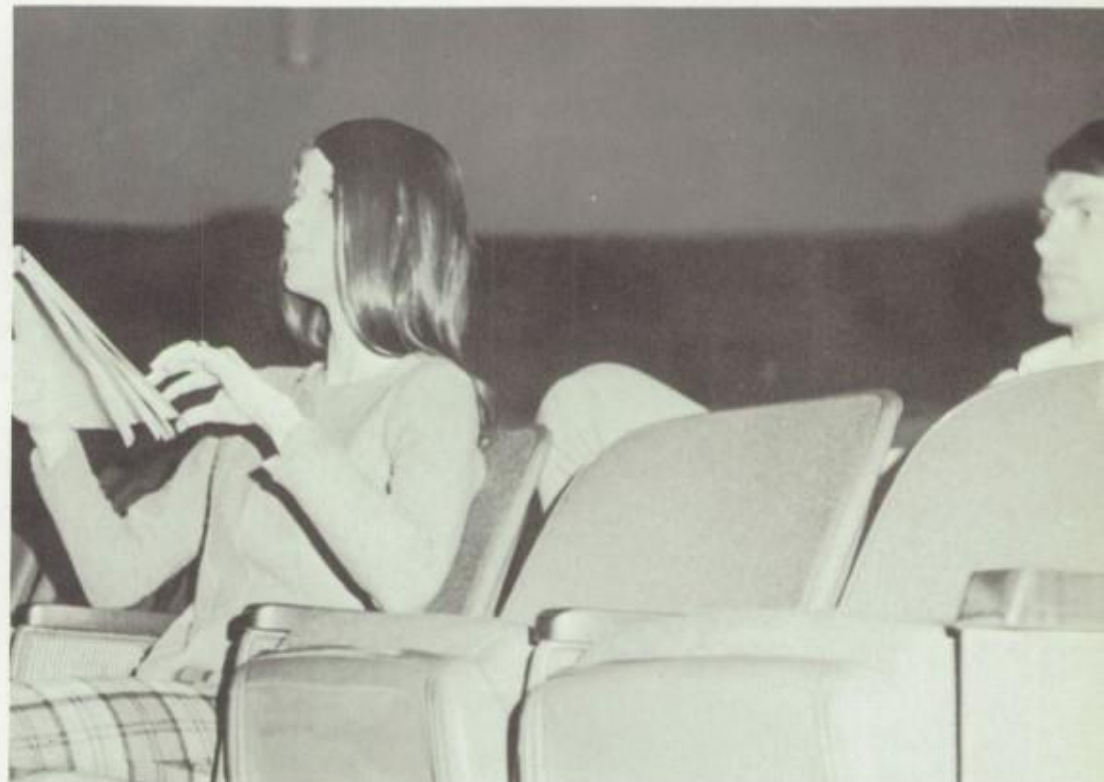


DRAMA CLUB. FRONT ROW: James Broberg, sponsor; B. Maeder, C. Perekslis, R. Leffler, R. Skelton, S. Skelton, J. Ward, B. Dunn, K. Vaughan, M. Sindelar, F. Belmont, K. Fry, A. Larkins, treasurer; T. Bozak, secretary; R. McNutt, president, T. Couch. ROW 2: L. Cummings, D. Harmon, N. Fisher, S. Noel, C. Fisher, J. Fackler, P. Couture, J. Morris, S. Larrabee, R. Phelps, C. Houston, G. Borsheim, S. Peters, K. Moran, director; V. Weix, director, D. Brinson, D. Wells. ROW 3: G. Moran, P. McDonald, K. Moore, R. Chickinell, M. Schum, R. McNutt, D. Olson, P. Nicklen, N. Pospichal, B. Borsheim, S. Wurthmann, M. Kircher, S. Chandler, M. Peters, C. Pace, D. Nyhaug, J. Kent. ROW 4: R. Monroe, S. Opperman, P. Nelson, C. Lapham, D. Williams, H. Herron, C. Johns, D. Jones, B. Leffler, D. Hanner, V. Shields, C. Ronsin, C. Sundquist, R. Siewardsen, M. Vaughan, M. Mullen. BACK ROW: M. McGuire, M. Leslie, C. Miller, P. Clark, V. North, S. Houck, D. Borsheim, L. Dunn, D. Phelps, K. Shields, S. Timm, C. Larkins, S. Combs.



Realistically acting out his part as the villian Jackpot Slade, in the play "The Miners Daughter," is Senior Terry Couch.

Waiting to help cast members improve their parts, Junior Cindy Fisher and Mr. James Broberg silently observe play practice.





FHA, FTA Plan For the Future

Members of the Future Teachers' Association were the only club at Ralston that boasted that one-hundred percent of their membership had the same career plans, to become a teacher.

Sponsors of the group were Mr. Kenneth Bentley and Mr. Keith Gilliland assisted by President Carol Tompkins, Vice-President Kathy Sykora, Treasurer Judy Larabee and Secretary Susan Ustohal.

Future Homemakers of America, sponsored by Mrs. Ruth Hammel, had a busy 1968—1969 year including many festivities for all.

Fifteen girls attended the District Three Convention at Fremont in October.

The State Convention was held in the spring. Two delegates were sent from Ralston.

Skateland was the scene for an all-school roller skating party March 24.

Officers of FHA were President Joan Jeffrey, Vice-President Virginia Gabriel, Treasurer Charleen Grime and Secretary Carolyn Johns.

Entertaining prospective eighth grade girls at a tea in the spring, FHA members explained to the girls the club's requirements and goals giving them a first-hand view of the new building.

Sponsor Mr. Keith Gilliland watches as Secretary Susan Ustohal and President Carol Tompkins prepare an agenda for the next Future Teachers' Association meeting.

FUTURE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION. FRONT ROW: Mr. Kenneth Bentley, sponsor; K. Sykora, vice-president; S. Ustohal, secretary; C. Tompkins, president; P. Couture, A. Larkins, J. Matsen, Mr. Gilliland, sponsor. ROW 2: B. Chamberlain, S. Peters, P. Nicklin, C. Sundquist, S. Schmid, J. Reandeau, P. Evers, C. Gilbert. BACK ROW: S. Lamb, P. Bendinger, P. Nelson, D. Ranslem, M. Peters, D. Olson, R. Royer. Plans to visit other schools were already being discussed at the first FTA meeting.





FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA. FRONT ROW: V. Gabriel, vice-president; A. Finnell, publicity chairman; J. Jeffery, president; C. Grimes, treasurer; D. Jones, parliamentary; C. Johns, secretary; L. Yarbrough, degree chairman; Mrs. Ruth Hammel, sponsor. ROW 2: L. Willers, M. Dennis, D. Nilius, C. Zarkowski, D. Chandler, C. Wyscarver, C. Kortus, L. Styskel, M. Webb, L. Waschinek, B. Rankin. BACK ROW: M. Brinker, P. Szatko, L. Freel, M. Teshack, D. Wynn, K. Johnson, M. Michaelson, S. Sanders, S. Sherry, B. Hardin, P. Royer.



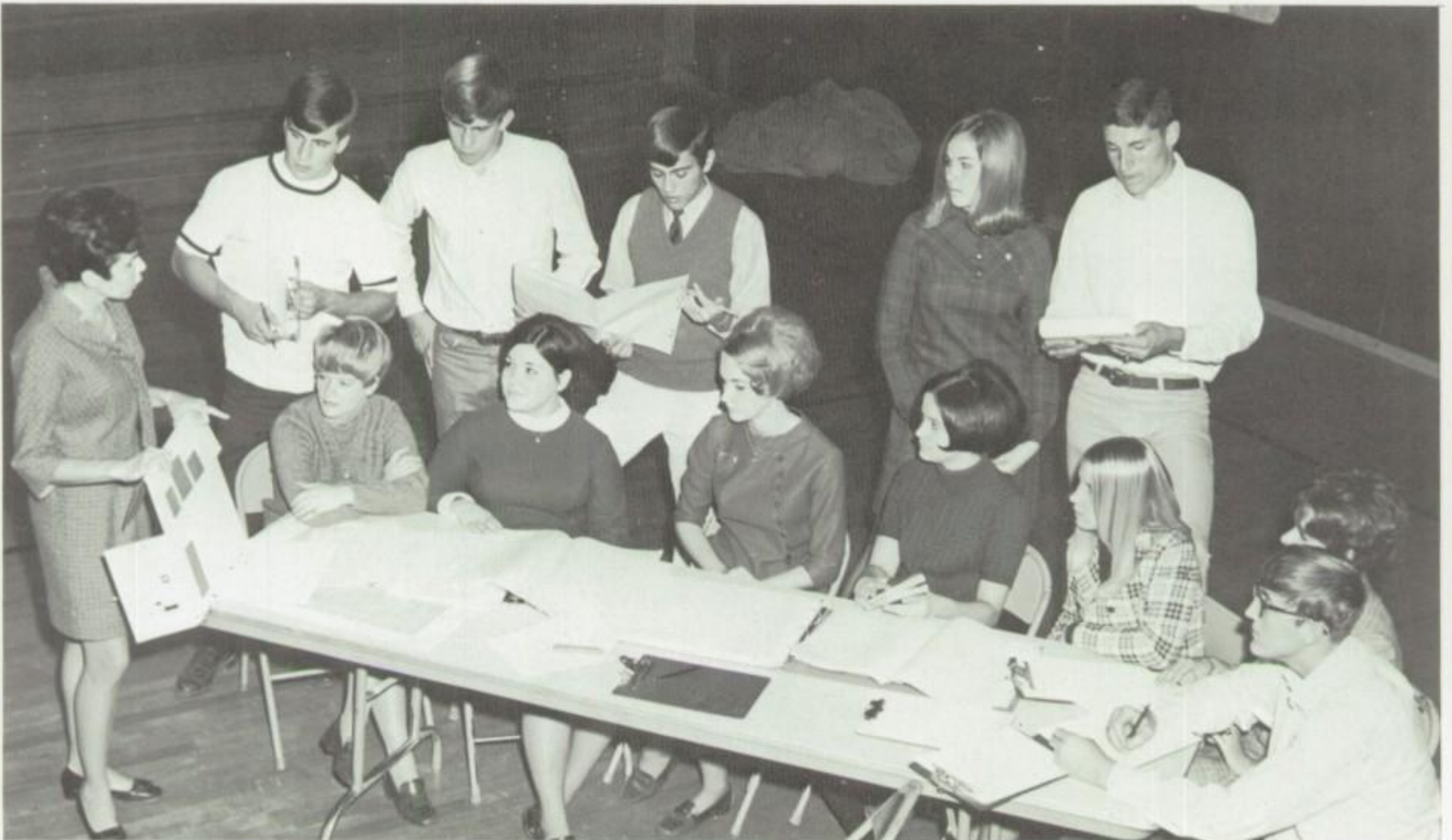
Purchasing her ticket early to the FHA Skating Party Senior Sue Reeves hands a dollar to Sophomore Chris Wyscarver. This was for the entire school.



President Joan Jeffrey and Vice-President Virginia Gabriel seem pleased with the meetings notes.

First-Year Class Added to Coordinate School Publications;

JOURNALISM II. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Charleen Kremke, R. McNutt, V. Weix, S. Reeves, P. Hurst, A. Jackson, J. Gulliver, J. Wyscarver. BACK ROW: P. Ziemba, S. Grabowski, J. Fackler, J. Geiler, G. Kratina. L. Ray, B. Cottingham not pictured. Yearbook work merits a great deal of attention and time spent outside of class.



QUILL AND SCROLL. FRONT ROW: L. Ray, J. Fackler, A. Jackson, J. Wyscarver, S. Reeves. BACK ROW: J. Gulliver, R. McNutt, V. Weix, J. Geiler, S. Grabowski. Quill and Scroll was established in 1965.



Seniors Fackler, Geiler, Grabowski, Gulliver Head Staffs

Seniors Judy Gulliver and John Fackler headed the 1969 yearbook staff, and Steven Grabowski and Janice Geiler were editors of RAM TALES.

Journalism I was added to the journalism department. Before, students were instructed as they submitted copy and stories for actual print. Journalism I has become required before being accepted into the Journalism II class.

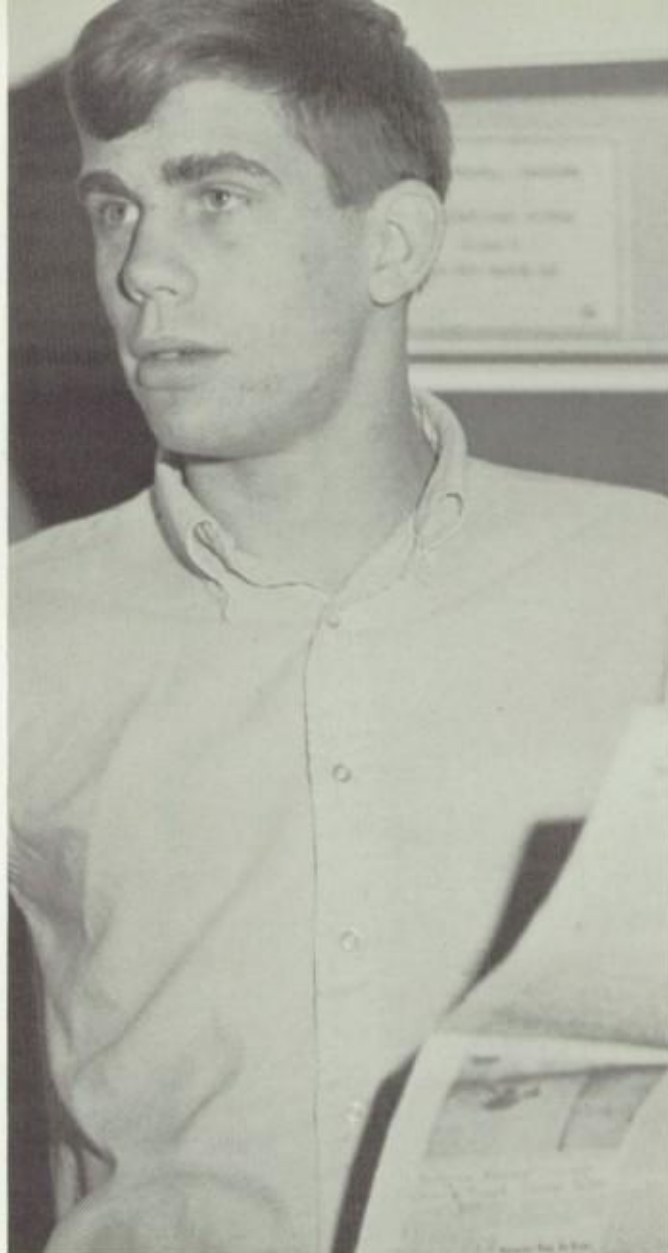
Students learned the fundamentals during the first 27 weeks of the beginning class. Actual work was done on both the yearbook and newspaper during the last nine-week period.

Changing yearbook publishers was a major decision for the yearbook staff. American Yearbook Company, a division of Josten's Inc., was the final choice. Another change was a 9"x12" annual rather than last year's 8"x11".

Journalism II students began the task of yearbook work before school started and continued throughout the year on annual layouts and publication of the bi-weekly newspaper.

Quill and Scroll members selected Seniors Ann Jackson, Robin McNutt, Suzanne Reeves and Vickie Weix to their club in January.

Junior Dan Floro takes a rest between sessions at the National High school press association meeting in Lincoln on Nov. 1.



Senior Newspaper Editor Steven Grabowski assigns stories to Journalism II classmates.

Seniors John Fackler, Judy Gulliver, Jason Wyscarver and Vickie Weix review layouts for the annual.



AFS Works to Earn Money for Next



AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE. FRONT ROW: G. Walasek, B. Leffler, K. Fry, D. Hanner, M. Anderson, C. Houston. ROW 2: D. Fry, student representative to adult chapter; S. Lamb, S. Peters, president; G. Borsheim, treasurer; P. Nicklin, secretary; A. Brodbeck, vice-president. BACK ROW: R. Borsheim, sponsor; C. Perekslis, M. Schum, L. Freel, P. Schmidt, M. Carl, M. Peters.



Sponsor Mrs. Ruth Borshiem discusses future plans for American Field Service with Senior President Sara Peters.

During a freshman basketball game, AFS member Junior Jody Pettinger looks on as Sophomore Timothy Stone debates which candy bar to buy.



Year's Long-Awaited Exchange Student



Senior Gretchen Borsheim distributes candy to Sophomore Michael Mullen, Senior Bruce Mehlhop and Sophomore Robyne Chickinell.

Raising enough money to finance a foreign exchange student for the next school year was the American Field Service's main objective.

Many different projects were displayed by the money-making group. Candy was sold at freshman football games, freshman basketball games, reserve games, wrestling matches and track meets.

Always open for new ideas the AFS put on "kiddie shows" for the children in the community. These shows were presented on Saturday mornings for anyone wishing to attend for 35 cents.

Another new project tried by the club was a guessing game. Jelly beans were put in a jar and each person wishing to guess at the amount of jelly beans in the jar had to pay a small fee. The winner received a \$5 prize.

All these projects helped to raise enough money to bring the third exchange student to Ralston.

Potluck dinners and picnics were planned throughout the year for the club members' enjoyment. Keeping busy made time move swiftly for the active and enjoyable club.

English Teacher Mrs. Ruth Borsheim sponsored the organization for the fifth year.

Contemplating what to select, Senior David Way is helped by Senior Sara Peters and Mrs. Ruth Borsheim while an anxious classmate Richard Hopkins waits in line.



Interested Students Form New TAR Club

State Teen-Age Republican Chairman Bob Russell, from Millard, helped Ralston students form and organize their first TAR club in September.

At their first meeting members held an election of their own for club officers.

Elected to offices were Seniors Dave Fry, chairman; Alan Brodbeck, county treasurer; Janice Geiler, secretary; Junior Robert Dunn, co-chairman; and Sophomore Rhonda McNutt, treasurer.

The main goal of the TAR members was to help get votes for all Republican candidates. This not only meant in the Presidential election, but in both the local city and state elections.

Students posted signs and distributed posters in supermarkets, homes and on the streets in Ralston and areas in West Omaha.

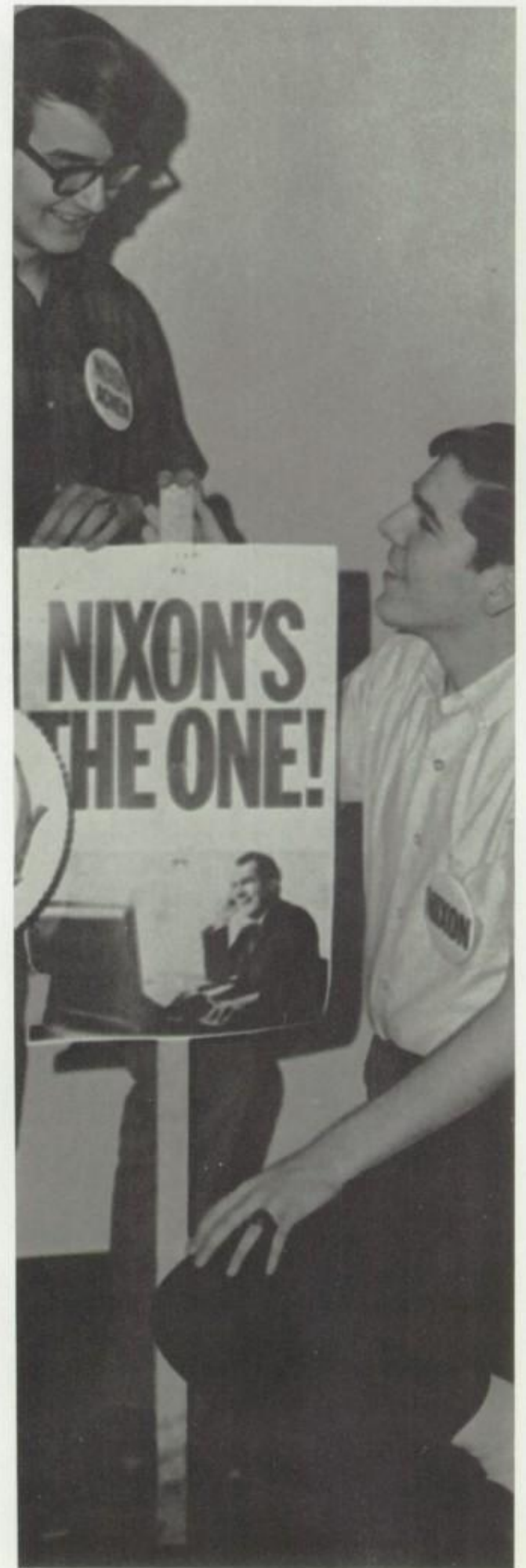
Members went to Robert Russell's home and helped make campaign signs with the help of Young Republicans and members of the Republican party.

A party for all TAR club members was held at the state TAR chairman's home on November 7, the night of the national and local election.

TAR members attended a meeting of the Nebraska chapter of Teen-Age Republicans which was held March 22 in Columbus, Nebraska.



TEEN-AGE REPUBLICANS. FRONT ROW: L. Lozier, J. Pettinger, V. Risk, B. Dunn, co-chairman; R. McNutt, treasurer; J. Geiler, secretary; D. Fry, chairman; A. Brodbeck, delegate; P. Royer, J. Matsen, R. McNutt, C. Fisher. ROW 2: B. Bancroft, A. Jackson, G. Moran, K. Fry, M. Chamberlin, S. Peterson, L. Dunn, V. North, K. Geiler, V. Shields. BACK ROW: D. Olson, S. Reeves, B. Nevius, K. Moran, J. Vaughan, E. Foy, S. Houck, J. Foy, R. Siewerdsen.



Hats, signs and campaign buttons indicate who Seniors Dave Fry and Alan Brodbeck will sponsor in the Presidential election.



ALPHA RHO TAU. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Florence Reckmeyer, sponsor; T. Couch, J. Stanley, vice-president; D. Wells, president; J. Worley, treasurer; J. Fackler, C. Fisher, secretary. ROW 2: C. Gabriel, C. Kealy, K. Newville, L. Dunn, K. Phelps, S. Sindelar, B. Sheppard. BACK ROW: R. Dotson, V. Shields, R. Siewerdsen, C. Larkins, J. Slovek, R. Stone, D. Stratton.

Alpha Rho Tau Students Mold Pottery

Under the sponsorship of Mrs. Florence Reckmeyer, art teacher at Ralston High, Alpha Rho Tau completed another constructive year with the completion of various projects.

Projects of the individual students ranged from simple ink and pencil drawings to working on the new and challenging electric pottery wheels which were a recent addition to the art room since moving to the new school.

Added equipment in the art room permitted the Art Club to venture not only in one dimensional art, but also in three dimensional work such as, rug work, small metal sculptures and mosaic.

Art Club meetings were held after school so that members could bring phonograph records to help inspire them while they worked on their projects. Each member was required to finish a project of his choice during the semester.

Membership was increased by 15 members during the 1968—1969 school year. The increase was due to two reasons. Great opportunity for advanced projects in the new high school; and early in the year, half-day sessions allowed students an abundance of time to work on time-consuming projects under the direction of a teacher.



During an Alpha Rho Tau meeting, Senior John Fackler pounds clay while classmate Terry Couch experiments with the potter's wheel.



Sophomores Diane Jones and Deorla Chandler are one of the firsts to use the Pepsi machine put in by Stu-Co.

Student Council

Student Council kept its twenty-four members busy with a full agenda for the year.

Sponsor Mr. Ken Bentley carried out a search program for graduated seniors from 1958—1968. Student aids helped in securing information on where they lived and what their occupation was now that they had completed high school. It was a long and tedious job, but proved successful.

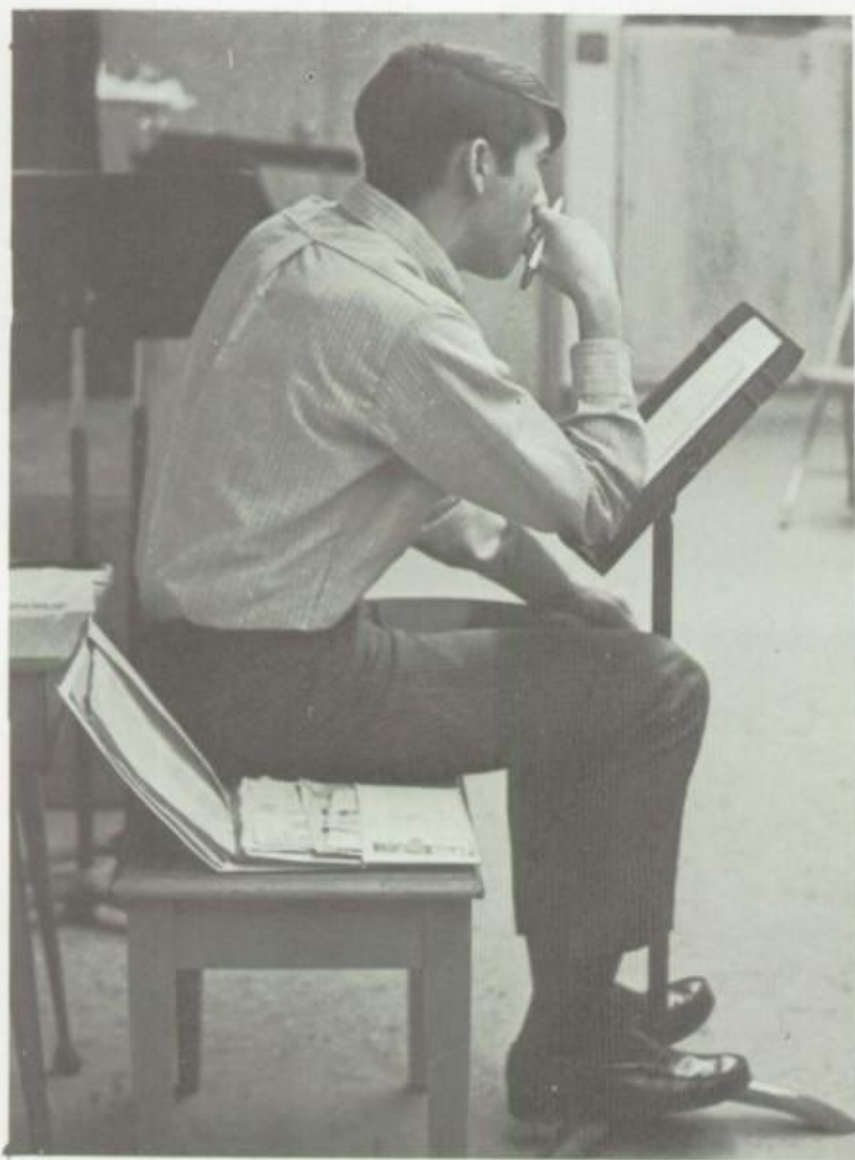
Raffling a Thanksgiving papier-maché turkey and a four-foot-high Charlie Brown for Christmas helped raise money for needy family food baskets.

Both prizes were made by John Fackler and won by Seniors Janet Reandeau and Vickie Weix.

A Criss-Crosser dance was sponsored on February 14 by Student Council in the commons area. Tickets, purchased by the girls, were \$1.75 per couple or \$1 for an individual.

A list was hung in the commons area where couples signed their names before the dance. Student Council members then made king and queen of heart cards as remembrance tokens.

Officers of Stu-Co were President John Fackler, Vice-President Charlie Hicks, Secretary Judy Matsen and Treasurer Steve Forbes.



Pondering over Student Council's agenda for the day, President John Fackler appears to be concerned about the matter at hand.

Senior Andy Larkins and Junior Lane Plugge use a study hour to make name cards for the Valentine's Day Criss-Crosser dance.



Exchanges Members with Bellevue



Directing one of Student Council's last meetings in the old school is President John Fackler. Sponsors Mr. Kenneth Bentley and Mr. William Ruf help supervise and offer instructions on the 1968 car smash.

Student Council sponsor Mr. William Ruf listens to comments being made by students at a meeting.



Gene Stowell and Bobbie Wolfe, two Bellevue Student Council members, observe Senior Vickie Weix at work on the RAM TALES.





Seniors, Vice-President Dave Way, Secretary Janice Geiler, Treasurer Susan Ustahol and President Mick Antonson talk over plans during a quick cup of coffee and a roll during an early meeting before school.



Junior Karen Engell is tapped into National Honor Society by Senior Barb Chamberlain.

NHS Select Twenty-Three Four Compete

At the Honors Convocation Oct. 31, twenty-three new junior and senior members were initiated into Ralston High school's chapter of the National Honor Society for superior students.

To become a member, a student had to have a "B" average and be voted into the club by the faculty. Scholarship, service, leadership and character were the characteristics a student had to exhibit in order to be elected.

Last year's senior members Dave Way, Janice Geiler, Susan Ustahal and Judy Gulliver gave brief explanations of these four traits at the convocation given for the entire student body. Parents of NHS members were also invited and were seated at the back of the gymnasium.

Four NHS members competed with 38 other high schools in a Quiz Bowl sponsored by the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

Seniors Mick Antonson, Dave Fry, Sara Peters and Sandy Lamb orally answered questions presented to them by a panel of judges.

For a combination social and informal discussion of National Honor Society, Ralston's group met with Bryan's high school from Omaha on March 18 for a potluck dinner at Ralston.

Informal discussions centered on operating honor study halls and qualifications for being voted into the student leadership group.

It was the first time Ralston's chapter of NHS had joined another group to discuss functions and problems of National Honor Society.



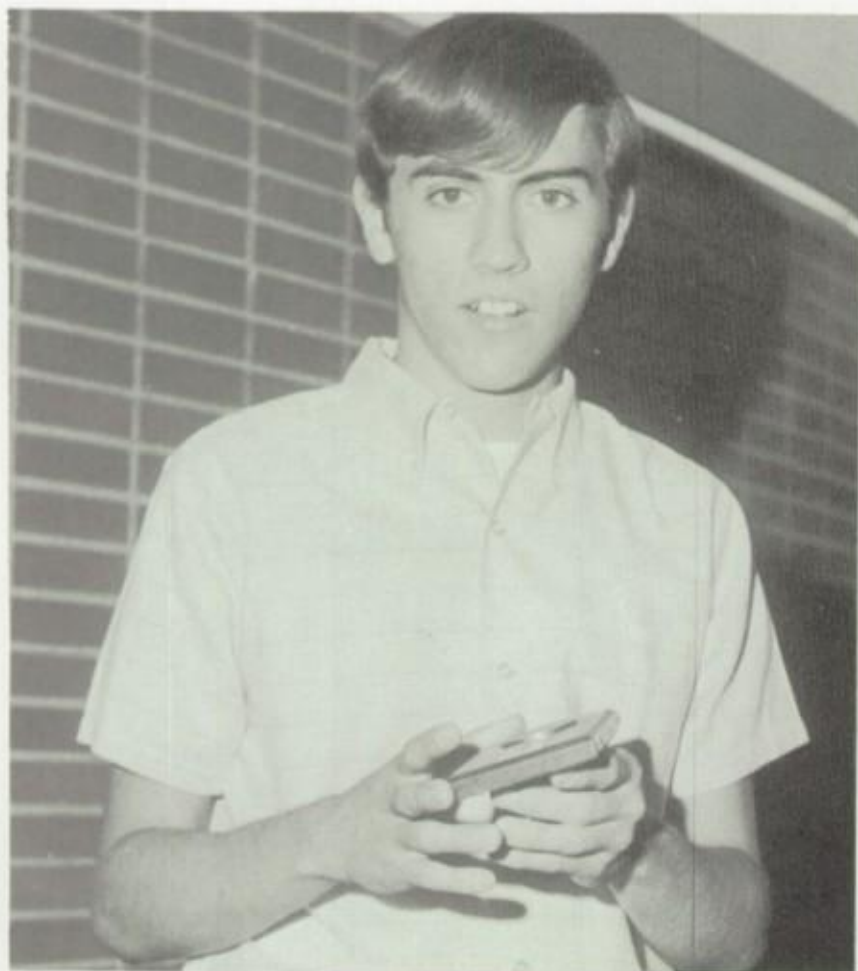
Seniors Sterling West and Dave Way appear to be hard at work while Junior Karen Geiler thinks of better things to do during their honor study hall above the library in the mezzanine.

New Members in High School Quiz Bowl



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY. FRONT ROW: M. Antonson, president; D. Way, vice-president; J. Geiler, secretary; S. Ustohal, treasurer; G. Borsheim, S. Lamb, S. Peters, J. Gulliver. ROW 2: K. Gilliland, sponsor; D. Fry, D. Krenz, B. Kettlehut, S. Peterson, V. Weix, A. Larkins, C. Tompkins, J. Cummings, J. Cochrane. ROW 3: B. Nevius, K. Moran, A. Brodbeck, R. Ward, J. Pettinger, M. Porter, S. West, E. Foy, P. McLaughlin, K. Geiler, P. Kvetensky. BACK ROW: J. Fackler, C. Wendt, B. Dunn, L. Plugge, B. Rogers, G. Fontanini, J. Ward, T. Olsen, K. Engell.

Fine Arts Awards Presented at Programs



Senior John Fackler holds the plaque with the Scholastic National Gold Medal along with a membership in the Associated Artists of Omaha after the vocal music-art awards night.



Vocal Music Director Mr. Duane Petersen seems a little skeptical as he examines the gift given to him by senior chorus members.

Doug Phelps, John Vaughan, Charlie Wendt, Judy Matsen and Janice Geiler receive the Outstanding Vocalist award. This award usually goes to one senior, but Vocal Music Director Mr. Duane Petersen awards it to five "superior" soloists this year.



In two separate programs, awards for achievement at District Music Contest and art awards were presented to fine arts students at Ralston High.

On Tuesday, May 20, the band's award night was held. Twelve "superior" ratings were attained by the instrumental music department including the band's "superior" performance of "1812."

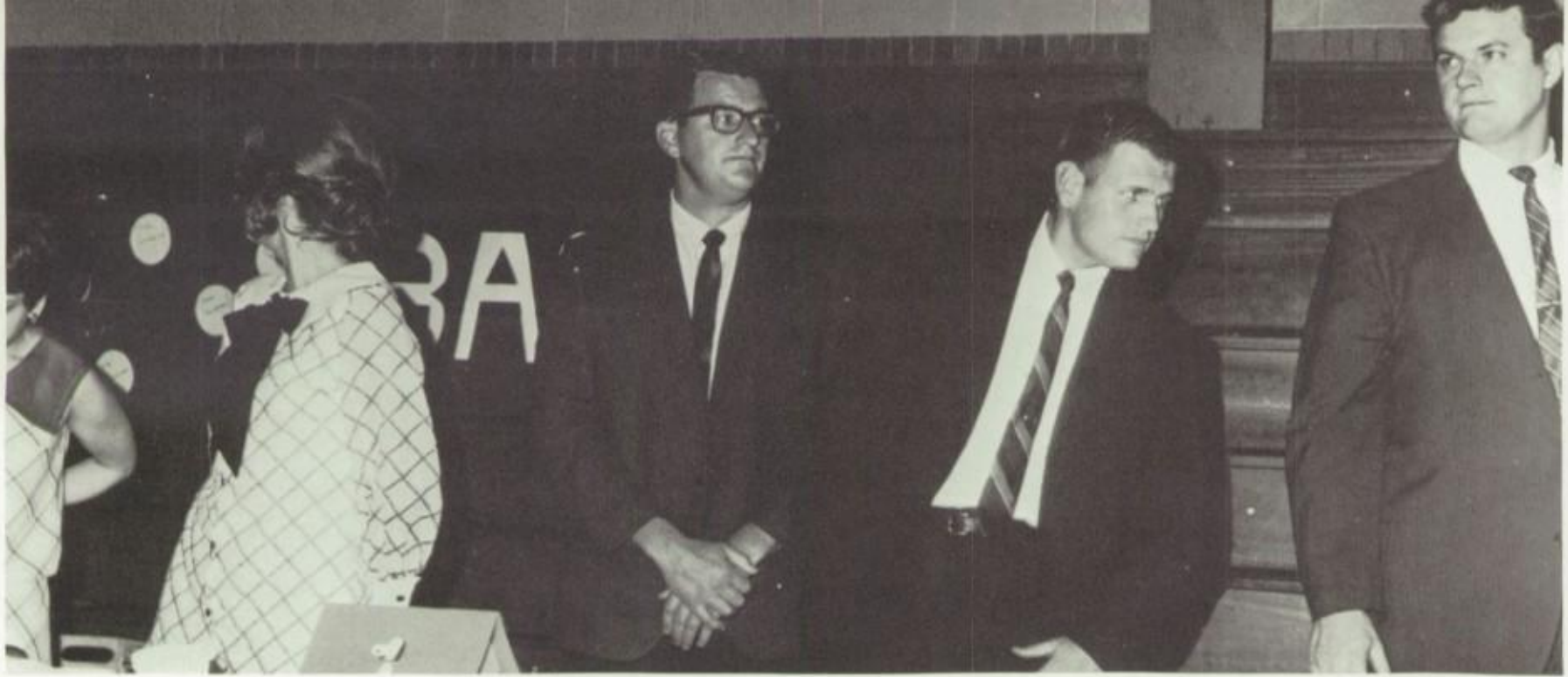
Senior Ann Jackson was named the recipient of the Joyce Johnson Award, and Senior Doug Phelps received the Outstanding Service Award.

Freshman clarinetist Barb Leffler was awarded the Most Improved Musician Award.

A week later, at a final concert and art exhibit, vocal music awards were presented. Vocal musicians received nine "superior" and three "excellent" ratings at contest at Midland College, Blair, Nebraska.

Besides the five senior outstanding vocalists, soloists Vicki Shields and Debbie Bane received a "superior" rating along with the Mixed Chorus.

Before and after the concert, listeners could view the art exhibit of Ralston High artists. Included in the exhibit were two one-man shows by Seniors John Fackler and Terry Couch and Dennis White's one-man pottery display, a first at Ralston.



Mrs. Karen Jochim, Drill Team sponsor, Mr. John Jorgenson, golf coach, Mr. Ken Allen, baseball and football coach, and Mr. Larry Hill, swimming coach, prepare to be seated before the start of the All-Sports Banquet.

Superior Effort in Athletics Rewarded



Head Football Coach Mr. Neal McDonald laughs as he hands the Outstanding Player Award to senior gridder Doug Krenz, "the only member of the team that I look down at when I talk to him."

Sportscaster Joe Patrick presented a take-off on a basketball practice during the eleventh annual All-Sports Banquet held at the Lakeview school gym.

Engraved plaques were awarded to Cathy Houston, Cheerleading, Robin McNutt, Pep Club, and Gail Hegarty, Drill team for their outstanding spirit.

Outstanding awards went to John Forbes, golf, Mark Porter, wrestling, Keith McCawley, baseball, Scott Russer, swimming, and Steve Forbes, cross-country.

The highlight of the evening came when the Ram Award went to Senior Jim McCaw. The Ram Award replaced the Micky Looney Award last year.

Another highlight of the evening came when the president of the Optimist Club presented the Optimist's Athlete of the Year Award to Senior Charles Wendt. Charlie also received the outstanding player in basketball and track for his excellent records.

Senior Doug Krenz received most valuable football player award and was a nominee for the Shrine Bowl.

Varsity cheerleading captain Judy Matsen presents roses to sponsor Mrs. Jeanne Stark as President Robin McNutt, Rev. James Schmidt and Mr. Ray Freedstrom, master of ceremonies, look on.





Adding spirit and support for the Rams, varsity cheerleaders include: Sophomore Robyne Chickinell, Senior Barb Peterson, Senior Judy Mat-sen, captain; Senior Jean Cochrane, Senior Cathy Houston and Sophomore Rhonda McNutt.

Cheerleaders, Drill Team Lead RHS



Providing cheers at reserve games and pep rallies were re-serve cheerleaders. FRONT ROW: Sophomore Vicki Risk. BACK ROW: Juniors Sandy Koza, Pam Bendinger, Sherry Skelton.

Much spirit and enthusiasm was added to the sports' activities throughout the school year by Ralston's cheerleaders and drill team.

Both groups practiced long hours during the summer to improve themselves for the upcoming year. Throughout the school year, they found new ideas and perfected their old ones.

Varsity and reserve cheerleaders promoted spirit at football and basketball games, wrestling meets and during pep rallies.

Rampons composed their own drills to perform at football and basketball games. This was the second year for a drill team at Ralston. At the last performance of the year, 16 red roses were presented to Mrs. Jochim by the 16 members to show their appreciation for all she had done.

During homecoming week, a party was given by the drill team for old members, majorettes, king and queen candidates and cheerleaders.

New cheerleaders and drill team members were chosen in April for 1969—1970.

Rampons were chosen for performing skills by the process of elimination. Cheerleaders were judged on appearance and cheering ability.



RAMPONS. FRONT ROW: C. Sindelar, C. Tompkins, C. Lapham, R. Johnson. ROW 2: K. Dickerson, P. Couture, C. Ronsin, A. Larkins. BACK ROW: G. Hegarty, captain; J. Van Severen, P. Nelson, C. Betzer, J. Naumann, J. Elliott, co-captain; K. Jochim, sponsor.

Boosters at Athletic Events



Reflections on the basketball court seem to reflect on the minds of Rampons as they think about their performances throughout the year while performing for the last time at the District Basketball Tournament at the Omaha Civic Auditorium.



Seniors Judy Matsen, Robin McNutt, Andy Larkins, Jean Cochrane, Queen Bonnie Bancroft and King Charles Wendt, reign over the 1968 Homecoming dance. Pep Club and the "R" Club choose the candidates and the student body selects the queen and king.

Bonfire Adds Glow to Activities



Almost in tears, Queen Bonnie Bancroft receives congratulations from former Queen Molly Mendon as King Charles Wendt watches.

By pulling ropes and forming a lever, the seniors create Ralston's first movable float as Ralsty Ram "squashes" the bears.



Senior's Movable Float Wins First Prize

Added to regular annual Homecoming activities was a snake dance through Ralston finishing at the Orville Smith Field parking lot.

A stuffed dummy, representing Bryan's football coach, was thrown into the bonfire and burned in effigy. The cheerleaders led the group in cheers and yells until the fire died.

A sunny day provided perfect weather for the annual Homecoming parade. Cars, floats and the band traveled through Ralston and ended at the Hillcrest Shopping Center. At the game, it was announced that the senior float received first.

Entering the gym was like walking into a candle-lit corn field. Pumpkins, squash, corn stalks and leaves provided the necessary effects for the "Indian Summer" theme. Hot cider, pumpkin pie, cookies and punch were served.

Following tradition, the 1967 Homecoming Queen Molly Mendon crowned King Charles Wendt. The girls were given boxes containing necklaces, four silver and one gold one.

After Senior Bonnie Bancroft discovered she had the gold necklace, which indicated who was queen, she was crowned by King Charles.

Queen Bonnie and King Charles dance the traditional king and queen dance to music by the "Sundae Funnies".



Homecoming Queen Candidate Robin McNutt holds a rose presented by Pep Club as she rides at the football game during half time.



Placing fourth, the freshmen enter their first Homecoming competition since they are now part of the senior high school.

Seniors Mark Kratina, Paul Ziemba, Dave Way and Gary Kratina watch excitedly as the queen candidates open their boxes.



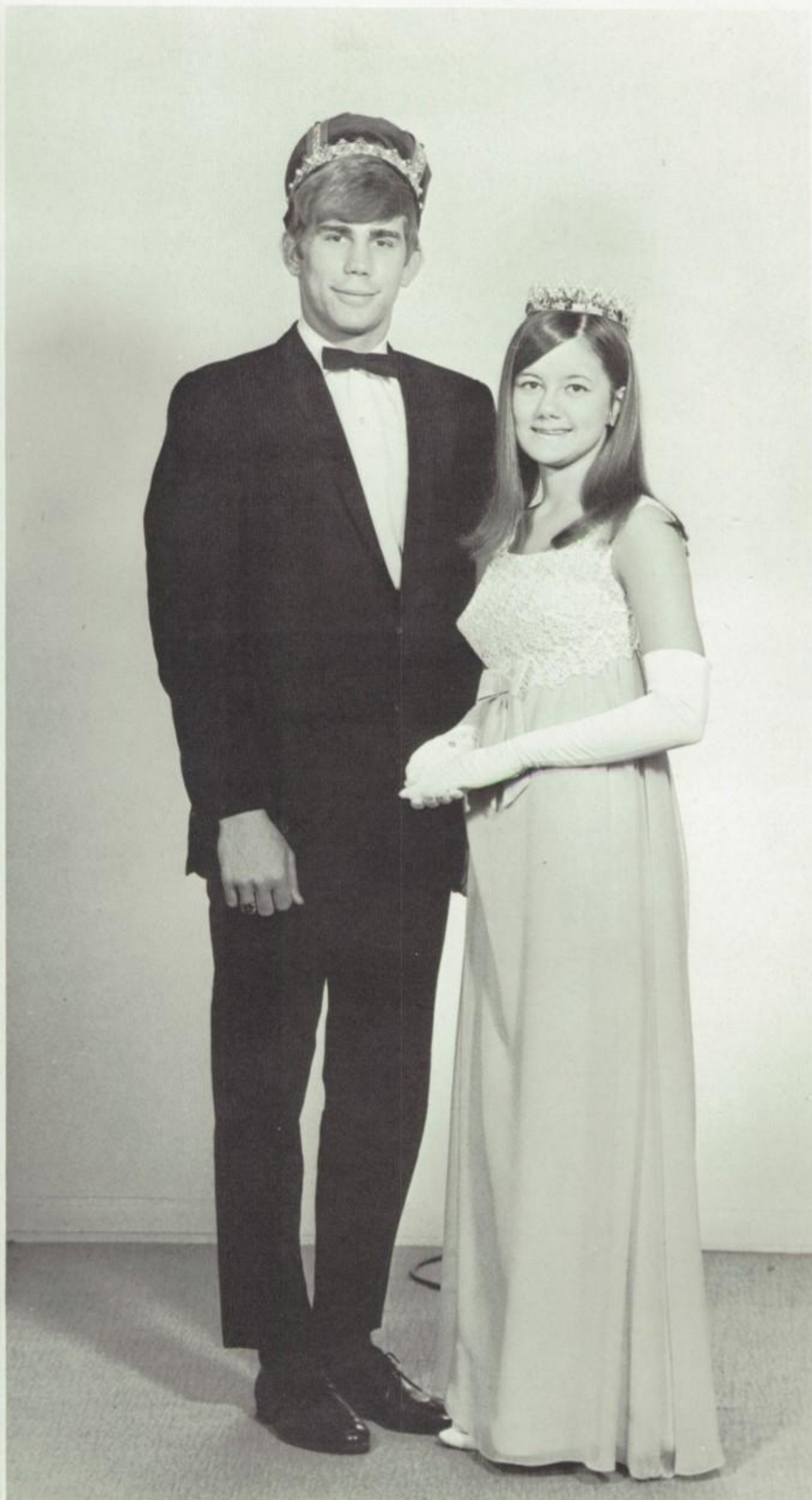


Homecoming
King
Charles
Wendt

Homecoming
Queen
Bonnie
Bancroft

Prom King
Steve
Grabowski

Prom Queen
Judy
Matsen



Matsen, Grabowski Crowned Junior-Senior "Camelot" Royalty

Amid shouts, congratulations and clapping, Queen Judy Matsen and King Steve Grabowski were crowned to reign over the 1969 Junior-Senior Prom.

Ralston's Commons area had been turned into a medieval courtyard overnight by the Junior class and professional decorators. Fountains, live shrubs and fighting shields decorated the area around the entrance, dance floor and throne.

Blue and gold were the regal colors that set off the "Camelot" theme. Blue crepe paper was used to separate the dance floor from the table area. Unlike the medieval surroundings, music was played by the modern Sound Revolution.

Prom servers furnished punch, cake, mints and cookies to hungry and anxious students.

At 11 o'clock, Junior Class President Charles Hicks crowned Judy Matsen and presented her with a dozen red roses and a bracelet. A scepter and a key chain were presented to King Steve Grabowski shortly after his coronation.

All Prom Queen candidates were presented sterling silver engraved charm bracelets with their names and a single rose while the King candidates were presented with gold engraved key chains.



Senior couples prepare to sign the guest book before entering the make-believe kingdom of "Camelot" for just one night.

PROM ROYALTY: Queen Judy Matsen, King Steve Grabowski, Jean Cochrane, Barb Peterson, Robin McNutt, Gail Hegarty, Mark Kratina, Gary Kratina, Steve Forbes, Mick Antonson. Prom Royalty is chosen and voted by the junior class each year, and royalty is always from the senior class.





Judy's grandfather congratulates a queen. Many parents attend the Prom to see decorations, dresses and crowning.



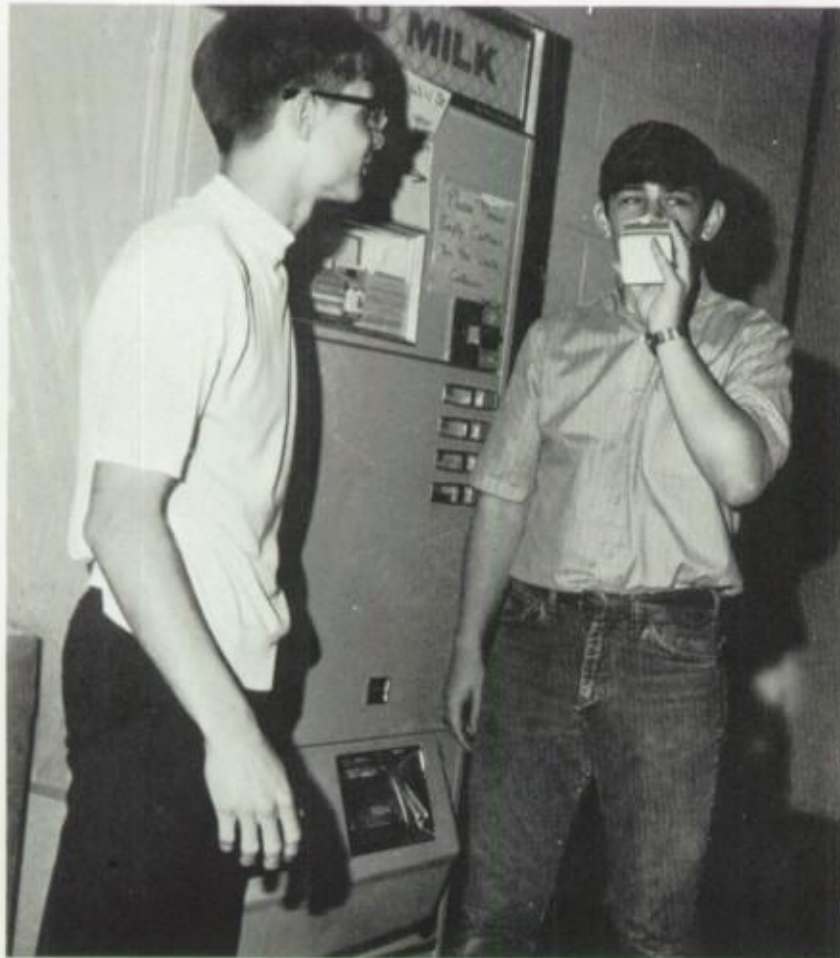
Candidates assemble before the coronation. Candidate Robin McNutt explains to Partner Steve Grabowski about "kingly behavior."

A spurting fountain and live flowers add to the color and excitement of Prom.



Sponsors and teachers display enthusiasm as they chat. Teacher Mrs. Ruth Borsheim talks to Speech Teacher James Broberg while Junior-Senior Sponsors discuss the work for a Prom.





Grabbing a quick refresher after classes, Sophomores Dave Cook and Mike Olsen take advantage of the FCA-donated milk machine.



Waiting for Seniors Dennis Arfmann and Tim Goede to prepare bulletins are Junior Roy Gage and Seniors Gary and Mark Kratina.

Boys Initiate Groups Donate



FCA. FRONT ROW: D. Fritzmeier, R. Romanick, treasurer; P. Bret, S. Allen, B. Rogers, K. Wells, D. Pearson, B. Murphy, T. Goede, bulletin chairman. ROW 2: S. TeKrony, D. Chamberlain, C. Wendt, D. Arfmann, secretary; R. Hopkins, R. Ray, D. Cook, bulletins; T. Romanick. ROW 3: R. Mackie, sponsor; P. Ziemba, D. Marolf, E. Foy, R. Goodell, T. Victor, W. Melcher, R. Danielson, E. Hansler. ROW 4: D. Durham, M. Kratina, co-captain; D. Way, M. Antonson, S. West, L. Barone, D. Ladd. BACK ROW: S. Braga, J. Foy, J. Pettinger, T. Bowen, R. Gage, J. McCaw, R. Bergren, S. Johnstone, G. Kratina, co-captain.



"R" Club Co-presidents Mike Freel and Mark Kratina fold the American flag donated to the school by the "R" Club.

A new club was formed this year by senior high boys interested in their Christian duties.

Co-captains Gary Kratina and Mark Kratina presided over the Fellowship of Christians Athletes at their monthly meetings held at local churches.

For the enjoyment of the students, a milk machine was installed by the varsity locker rooms. A profit of \$500 was earned by the club.

Summer plans included sending FCA members to Estes Park, Colorado, for a week of physical activity on their own time and listening to famous athletes speak. Money from the milk machine was used to pay half of the expenses for the trip.

An "All Sports Night" was held for all FCA members at the new gym. After a vigorous basketball, wrestling and swimming workout, a pizza feed was held. The pizzas were devoured by the athletes in a record breaking time of five minutes.

Before the start of the Burke Basketball game, Ralston Lettermens club presented the school with an American flag and a triangular Ram flag. Co-president Mark Kratina presented the flags to Superintendent Mr. Delbert Nelson and School Board President Mr. Lyle Plugge.

Athletes Organize New FCA Chapter

"R" CLUB. FRONT ROW: K. Wells, K. McCawley, P. Wooster, E. Hansler, J. Grady, R. Bergren, D. Ladd. ROW 2: C. Hicks, D. Chandler, D. Johns, D. Arfmann, P. Dyer, S. Hodgens, J. Forbes. ROW 3: K. Vaughan, D. Eckermann, D. Anderson, B. Mehlhop, S. Forbes, D. Nelson. ROW 4: D. Pearson, D. Grime, E. Foy, R. Gage, B. Rogers, T. Romanick. ROW 5: K. Kowal, J. Gatewood, R. Johns, R. Phelps, J. Holcomb, C. Kerndt, L. Melcher. ROW 6: J. Scheissler, R. Siewerdson, M. Vaughan, S. TeKrony, S. Ruser, J. Vaughan, D. Marolf, W. Melcher. ROW 7: S. Johnstone, S. West, M. Antonson, M. Freel, D. Way, R. Hopkins, M. Heavrin, M. McLaughlen, C. Wendt. ROW 8: D. Krenz, D. White, K. Lacey, M. Thurber, R. Goodell, L. Plugge, T. Victor, D. Hegarty, B. Dunn, L. Shannon, B. Sweet. ROW 9: S. Larrabee, B. Cottingham, B. Murphy, R. Ward, L. Barone, M. Kratina, D. Fritzmeier, B. McPherson, M. Brimmer. BACK ROW: S. Grabowski, G. Kratina.



Pep Club Boosts School Spirit During



JUNIOR AND SENIOR MEMBERS OF PEP CLUB. FRONT ROW: K. Bossart, sponsor; A. Larkins, treasurer; G. Hegarty, drill team captain; D. Brinson, A. Finnell, M. Chamberlin, captain; J. Geiler, captain; B. Bancroft, secretary; P. Royer, co-secretary; D. Olson, sergeant-at-arms; P. Nicklin, sergeant-at-arms; A. Jackson, executive council; R. McNutt, president; K. Geiler, vice-president; D. Bazis, sergeant-at-arms; S. Ustohal, executive council; J. Reandeau, L. Murray, C. Ronsin, J. Stark, assistant sponsor. ROW 2: C. Tompkins, captain; C. Sindelar, J. Cummings, G. Borsheim, M. Anderson, T. Bozak, S. Peters, J. Gulliver, V. Szatko, K. Moore, L. Willers, K. Grote, L. Struthers, V. Gabriel, M. Dennis, M. Olmstead, R. Johnson, J. Armstrong. ROW 3: J. Elliott, drill team co-captain; P. Couture, B. Chamberlin, C. Sundquist, S. Schmid, M. McGuire, P. Metzger, B. Schultz, K. Newville, M. Wheeler, P. Kvetensky, K. Engell, L. Cummings, J. Norwood, C. Fisher, B. Drapalik, D. Bane, T. Kircher, J. Van Severn. ROW 4: C. Lapham, P. Nelson, S. Peterson, S. Koza, S. Skelton, P. Bendinger, D. Harmon, J. Svahn, T. Shields, L. Dunn, L. Campbell, L. Czapenski, C. Gilbert, P. Evers, K. Sykora, K. Klintworth, D. Miller, K. Dickerson, J. Naumann. BACK ROW: B. Peterson, J. Cochrane, C. Houston, J. Matsen.

Participating in a pep rally "Laugh-In," Freshmen Sue Tadlock and Dawn Schreurs dance as they predict a Ram victory.



NEWLY FORMED FRESHMAN AND SOPHOMORE MEMBERS OF PEP CLUB. FRONT ROW: J. Stark, assistant sponsor; C. Black, S. Opperman, K. McCawley, D. Stuart, D. Stetler, A. Toy, D. Nebe, C. Zarkowski, K. Johnson, S. Tompkins, P. McDonald, C. Miller, R. Chickinell, R. McNutt, V. Risk, J. Larrabee, M. Carl, B. Copenhaver, R. Barry, L. Cawley, K. Bossart, sponsor. ROW 2: D. Schreurs, R. Monroe, B. Sheppard, P. Wilkening, D. Royer, C. Kortus, P. Szatko, M. Teshack, J. Becwar, M. Peters, D. Ranslem, V. North, G. Eckhardt, C. Squire, D. Hansen, S. Wurthmann, C. Gabriel, L. Brown, L. Kowal, C. Lovell. ROW 3: S. Lane, P. Hansen, K. Sykora, P. Gilbert, D. Barone, D. Jones, C. Johns, P.

'68-'69 Athletic Season

Enrollment of the 1968—1969 Pep Club was 210, a record breaking membership. For the first time at RHS, Freshmen were allowed to join the largest organization affiliated with the school.

During the year, a new demerit system was used. Instead of having 14 rules to follow, it was cut down to nine by a majority vote of the pep club. A new constitution was accepted.

Because of the enlarged size of the club, it was divided into two separate groups. One for the junior and senior members and the other for the freshman and sophomore members.

"Indian Summer" was selected by the Pep Club as the overall Homecoming theme. Along with the Student Council, the Pep Club annually sponsored Homecoming festivities. Decorations consisted of corn stalks, hay, pumpkins and scarecrows to give the appearance of a field during harvest.

Two new teachers took on the responsibility of sponsoring the enthusiastic group. They were Mrs. Karen Bossart, physical education instructor, and Mrs. Jeanne Stark, Spanish teacher.

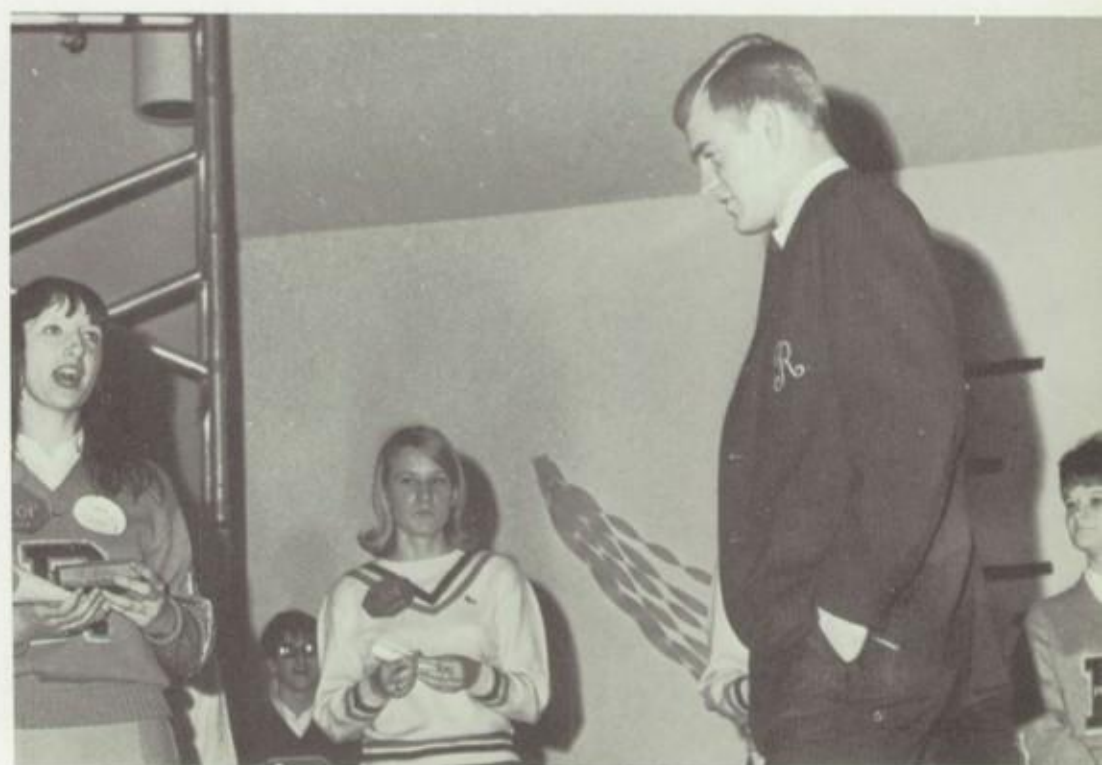
As each year, the All-Sports banquet was sponsored by the Pep Club, which was the last large responsibility of the spirit-filled group.



Seniors Gail Hegarty and Carol Tompkins, drill team members, enthusiastically express their support for the Rams, along with the pep club at a basketball game.



Schmidt, G. Walasek, L. Freel, J. Tekrony, B. Borsheim, P. Clark, J. Engell, C. Pace, S. Tadlock, D. Kellberg, D. Hanner, P. Smith, N. Pospichal, C. Perekslis. ROW 4: K. Jorgensen, M. Kircher, M. Schum, M. Vinduska, P. Goodrow, D. Nilius, M. O'Connor, D. Chandler, C. Grime, K. Powers, D. Christensen, R. Romanick, S. Noel, N. Fisher, M. Webb, C. Tompkins, M. Hopkins, C. Barry, S. Gorker, S. Kovar, V. Hardin, B. Allen, D. Shields. BACK ROW: M. Brinker, K. Hickman, J. Kulus, M. Watson, G. Moran, L. Stejskal, D. Stambaugh, G. Schmeucker, L. Siewers, D. Yearsley, L. Lewis, C. Kealy, D. Wynn, L. Szelwycz, S. Sherry, L. Yarbrough, G. Joy, L. Graves, L. Waschinek, D. Nyhaug.



To close the basketball season at the last pep rally of the year, Seniors Sue Ustohal, Gail Hegarty and Robin McNutt present an incident from the past in the life of basketball standout Mark Kratina.



Looking for a four-leaf clover while at the initiation Tri-Hi-Y picnic is Sophomore Carla Squire.



Tri-Hi-Y members watch as Sophomore Marilyn Peters feeds applesauce to fellow initiate Sophomore Cindy Pace. Other first year members will soon receive the same treatment.



A discussion of new activities involving all Tri-Hi-Y members is talked over by Sophomore Debbie Nilius, Freshman Lori Duncan and Senior Barb Peterson at a group meeting.

TRI-HI-Y. FRONT ROW: K. Johnson, C. Pace, S. Tompkins, J. Gulliver, president; S. Skeleton, vice-president; A. Jackson, secretary; R. McNutt, Chaplain; S. Peters, C. Miller, A. Larkins, G. Hegarty. ROW 2: B. Bancroft, P. McDonald, G. Walasek, S. Combs, C. Kealy, M. Teshack, R. Romanick, N. Fisher, S. Noel, V. Weix, J. Elliott, S. Sindelar. ROW 3: P. Couture, P. Schmidt, L. Freel, M. Peters, D. Ranslem, M. O'Connor, L. Czapenski, D. Chandler, D. Nilius, C. Tompkins, M. Kircher, S. Wurthmann. BACK ROW: J. TeKrony, C. Squire, C. Gabriel, D. Hansen, C. Newby, C. Tompkins, M. Webb, C. Fisher, J. Svahn, P. Bendinger, P. Nelson, C. Lapham.





Hi-Y. FRONT ROW: K. Vaughan, J. Forbes, treasurer; D. Chandler, vice-president; C. Hicks, L. Szatko, B. Rogers, president; K. Lacey, chaplain. ROW 2: T. Victor, B. Kettelhut, secretary; D. Hanner, C. Collier, D. Hegarty, M. Vaughan. BACK ROW: L. Plugge, T. Romanick, R. Bergren, R. Gage, J. Grady, D. Cook, R. Skelton.

Tri Hi-Y, Hi-Y Exchange Program with Boulder Held

A trip to Boulder, Colorado, and attending the YMCA's Youth and Government Program in Lincoln highlighted Hi-Y and Tri Hi-Y activities.

At the annual Tri Hi-Y initiation picnic, held at Elmwood park, forty-seven new members were welcomed into the organization. Along with sack races and three-legged races, blindfolded members spoon-fed applesauce to fellow initiates.

During November members from each club traveled to Lincoln and presented a bill to the model Legislature. Hi-Y's bill for extra training for policemen and Tri Hi-Y's bill to increase punishment for violating civil rights were passed.

Other activities held in the year were the annual Easter egg hunt for Ralston children at the park and the selling of candy cookbooks.

From May 2-4, nine girls and three boys were guests of Hi-Y and Tri Hi-Y members in Boulder, Colorado. Ralston played host to students who visited from Boulder during the last part of May.

A teacher versus Tri Hi-Y basketball game was sponsored by the group and their new advisor, Mr. John Fruhbauer. The women faculty was defeated 13-11 by a last-minute basket.

A chess tournament between Hi-Y members looks as though it is the main concern of the meeting at Junior Bill Roger's house.





Giving the slopes a try for the first time of the season at Crescent Ski Area is William Hammel, son of Mrs. Ruth Hammel, Ski Club sponsor.



President Sandy Lamb knows that warm clothing is a necessity on the snowy slopes.

Co-Curricular Activities Benefit Ski Club, Ralston Youth Council Help



Standing in line waiting for instructions are beginners Debbie Barone, Paula Couture, Carolyn Johns and Barb Leffler.

"Desire and a Little Money" were the membership requirements for ski club. In this club, there was no real membership roll. Students wishing to go, met at 5 o'clock, on Sundays to leave for Crescent Ski Area, at Crescent, Iowa.

Co-sponsoring the group for the second year were Mrs. Ruth Hammel, homemaking teacher, and Mr. Bill Ruf, senior high guidance counselor.

These instructors contributed to the starting of the club in December 1968.

Skiers paid \$20 for four trips, plus 25 cents for each session for bus fare.

Included in the \$20 were skis, poles and boots rental. During each session, qualified instructors showed beginners the fundamentals while the second year skiers practiced more advanced techniques. Both beginners and second-year members used the towrope and pomalift.

For each trip, 20 to 25 students participated which was an increase from the previous year.

In the future, the sponsors plan to add another yearly activity which will be taking those students who have participated for a semester on a weekend ski trip to Colorado.



RALSTON YOUTH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL. FRONT ROW: J. Gulliver, historian; C. Hicks, vice-president; K. Lacey, S. Ruser. ROW 2: B. Peterson, secretary; P. Couture, M. Schum, S. Noel, B. Bancroft. BACK ROW: Mr. Dallas Wendt, sponsor; M. Antonson, C. Wendt, president; M. Kratina, treasurer; R. Gage. The RYC Executive Council includes officers and class representatives.

Develop Club Members' Future Skills



Juniors Leonard Szatko and Dick Marolf yell challenges to their opponents during a game of ping-pong.

This year marks the fourth anniversary of the Ralston Youth Council which was started when a group of Ralston seniors discussed the need for a youth center at a pre-school breakfast.

After they referred to the City Council for assistance and suggestions, the council members agreed to allot the downstairs of the City Hall.

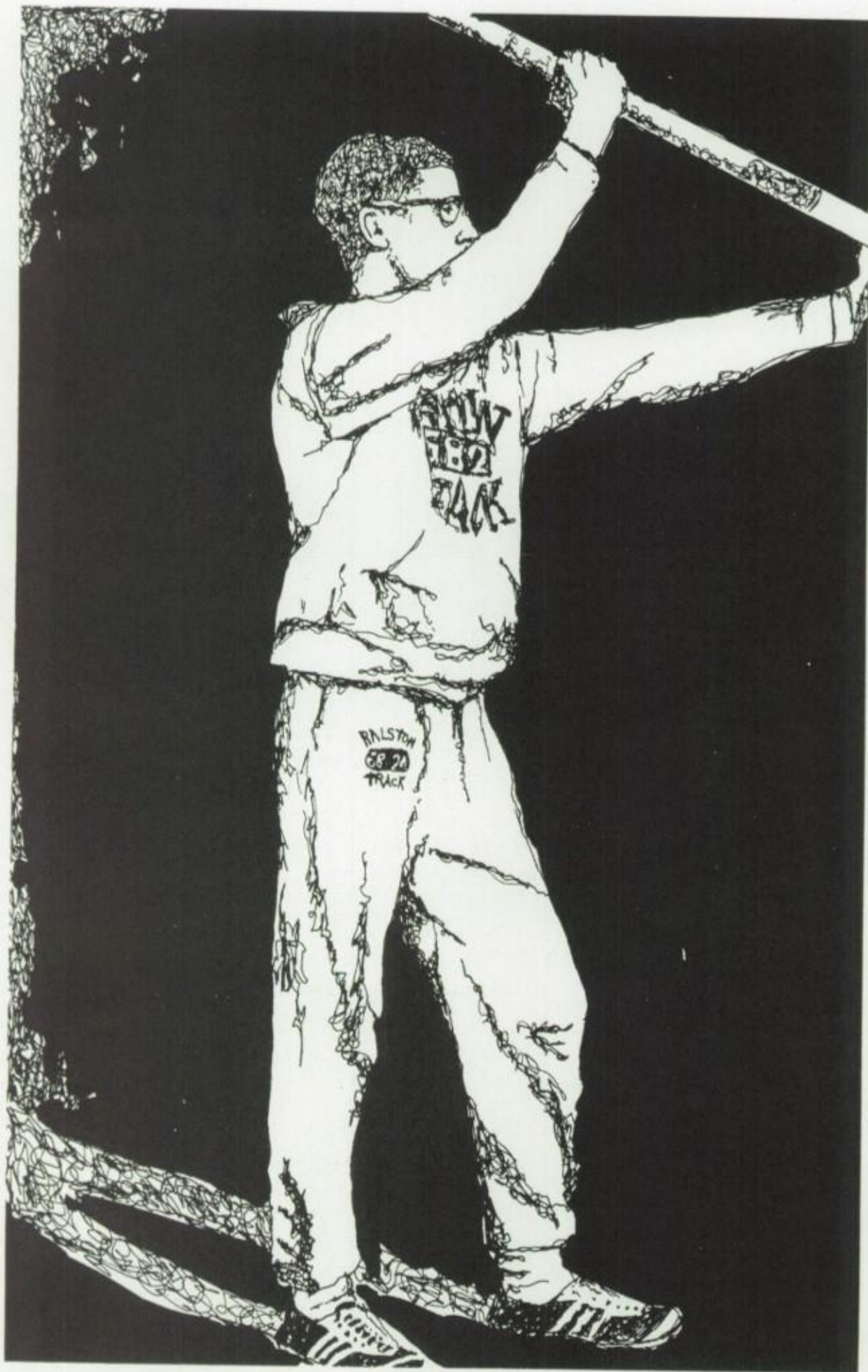
The Ralston Youth Center started out with donated furniture and a limited choice of games. Eventually the Youth Council purchased a color television, pool tables, ping-pong tables, pin ball machines, a jukebox and a pop machine. This year new furniture and a piano were added.

Money for these purchases was accumulated from dances, the \$1 membership fee and selling fireworks for the Fourth of July celebration.

It was made an annual project to award a \$150 scholarship to a graduating senior.

The Youth Center, or the Centennial Room, as it was named, was open every Friday and Saturday night to its members. Parents of members were present each night as sponsors.

Membership was open to anyone who lived in the Ralston school district in grades 9-12.



SPORTS



Coaches' Expressions Reveal Tensions



Giving words of instruction, Athletic Director and Basketball Coach Robert Mackie advises Senior Charlie Wendt what to do.



By marking times so that individual participants can better their records, Coach Reno Pfeil develops an All-Conference Cross Country team.



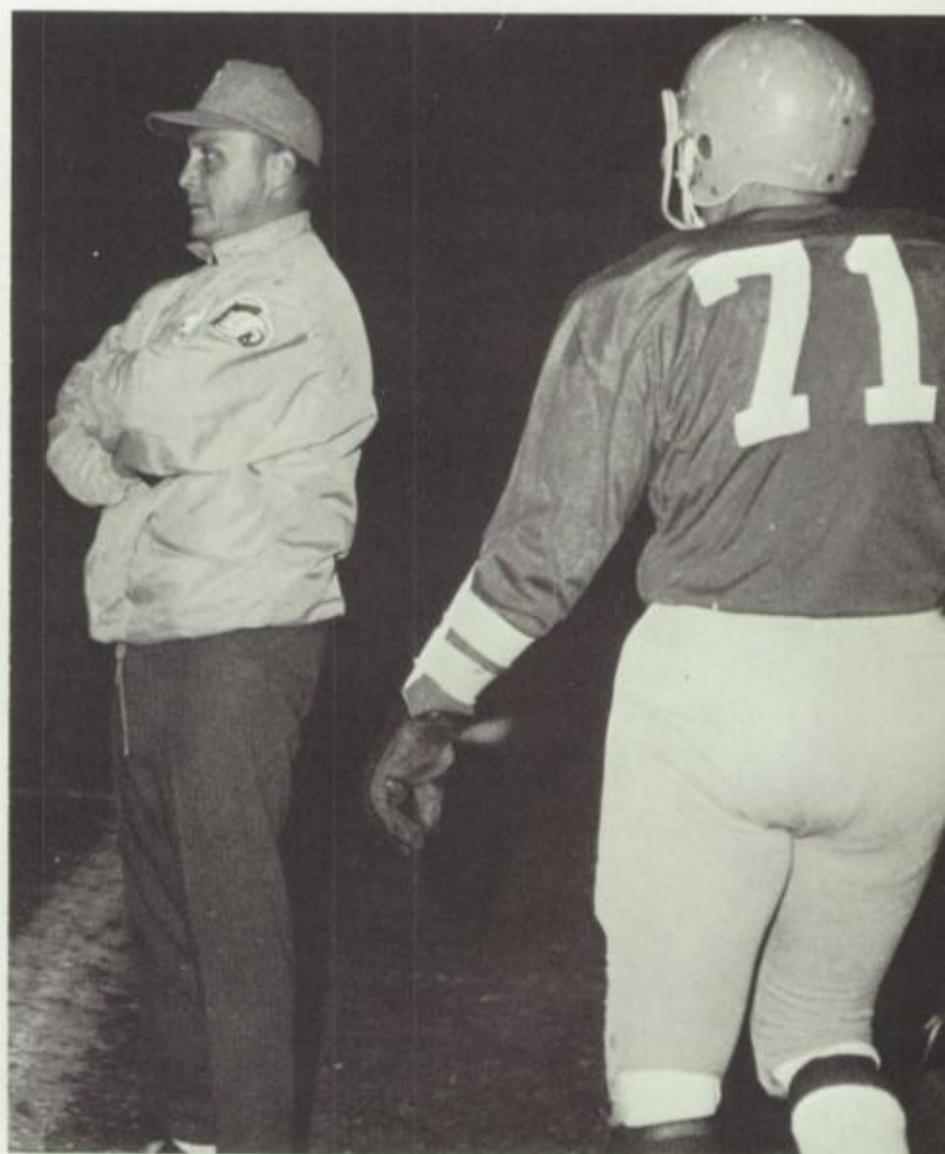
Wrestling Head Coach James McGrath watches a successful meet with a satisfied look, hoping that this will carry into the tournament.



Track coaches Reno Pfeil, Ken Petersen, Gary Dubbs and Lynn Osterholm seem optimistic about the prospects for the 1969 track season as they check the results from the first track meet. This is Coach Pfeil's seventh year as head coach at Ralston High.



Demonstrating various golf grips and stances, Varsity Golf Coach John Jorgenson is observed by team members John Forbes and Rick Skelton, both juniors. This is Mr. Jorgenson's sixth year as golf coach and biology instructor at Ralston.

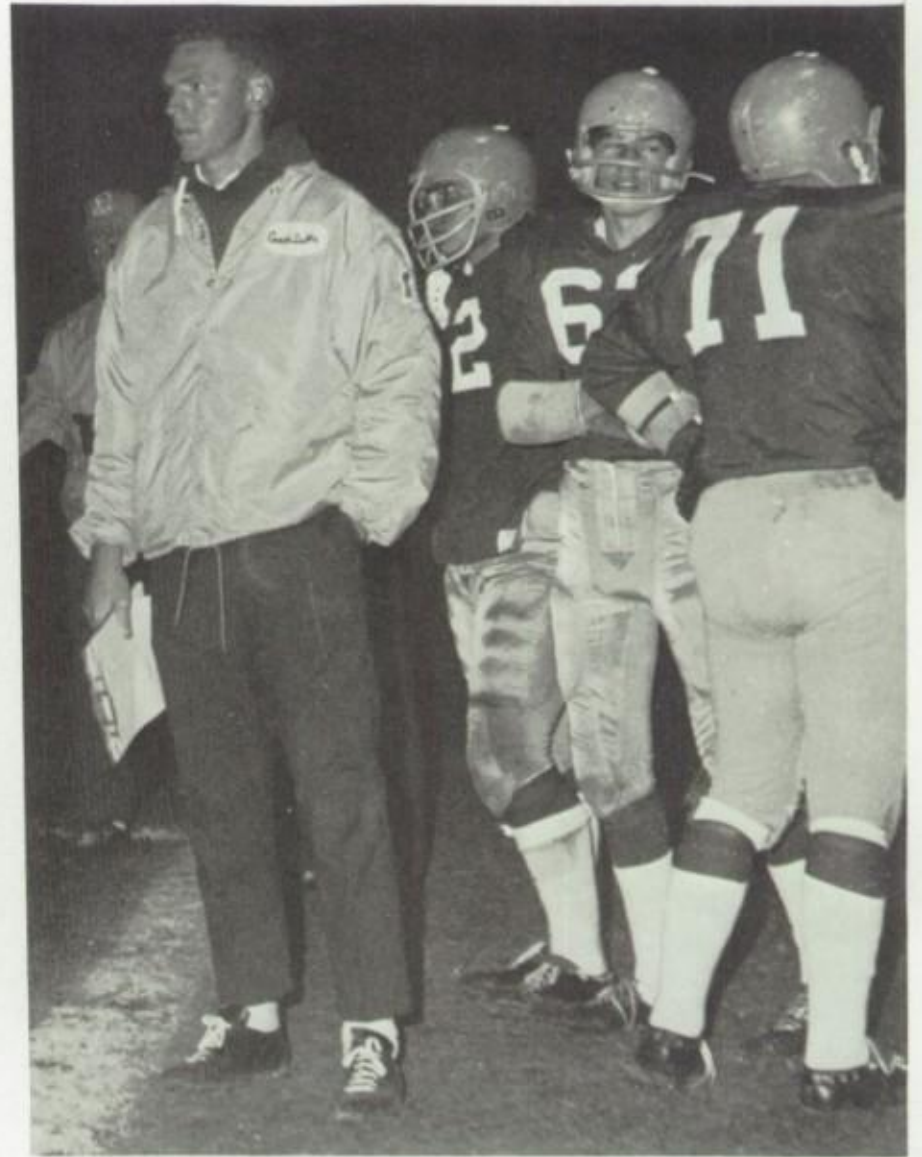


Watching his team attentively, Coach Neal McDonald stands at the sideline ready to send Senior Center Lou Barone into the game.

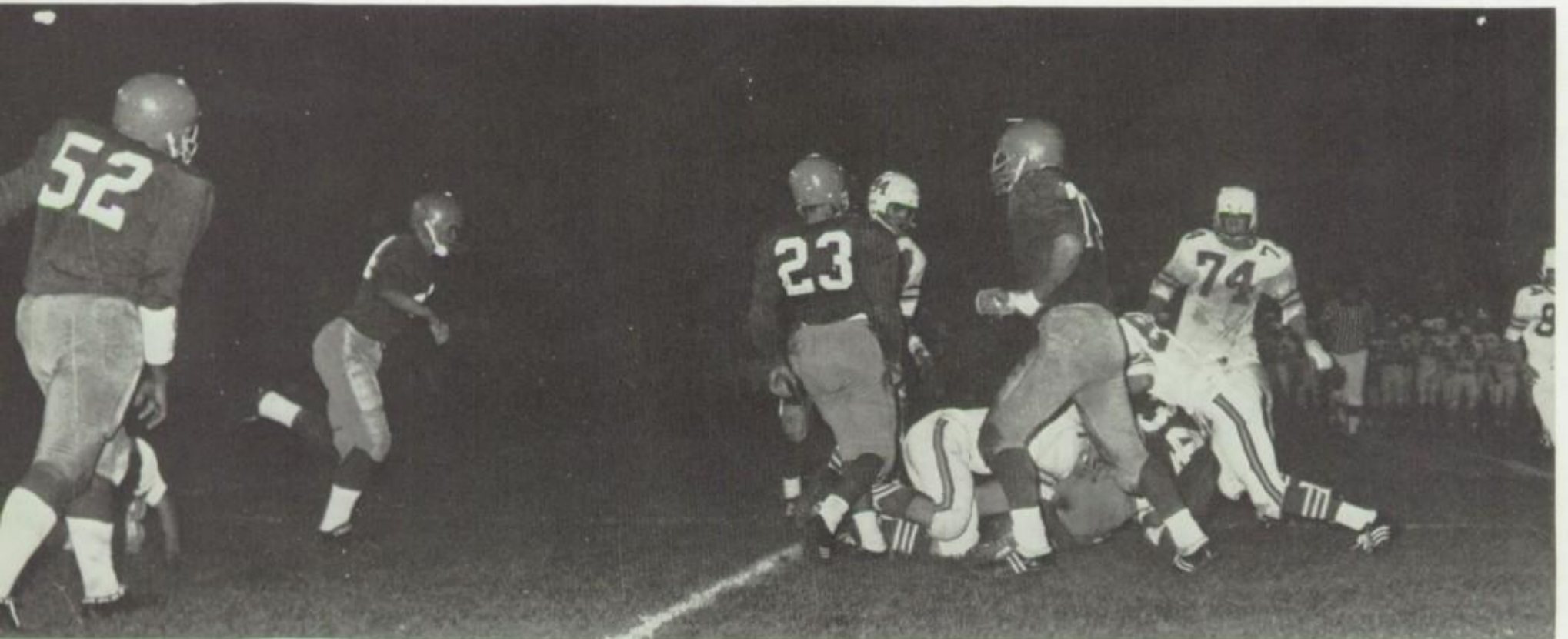
Assistant Coach Gary Dubbs watches the Ram offense perform as he waits to send in his defensive unit of eleven strong men.



Senior Halfback Doug Krenz, No. 21 puts his hand up too late as he misses his pass and is hit from behind in the Papio game.



There is action in the middle of the field as Senior Fullback Mike McLaughlin is tackled hard by a host of Blair Bears. This is the third consecutive year that Blair hands Ralston a Conference defeat as Halfback Mike Thompson scores both touchdowns.



6-3 Grid Season

Eight Make All-Conference

The referee awaits to signal that Senior Ram place-kicker puts the ball through the goalposts for an extra point.

Defeating all five Class "A" opponents was the highlight of the Ram's 6-3 for the 1968 season.

Eight team members led their division in Ak-Sar-Ben player choices from Ralston.

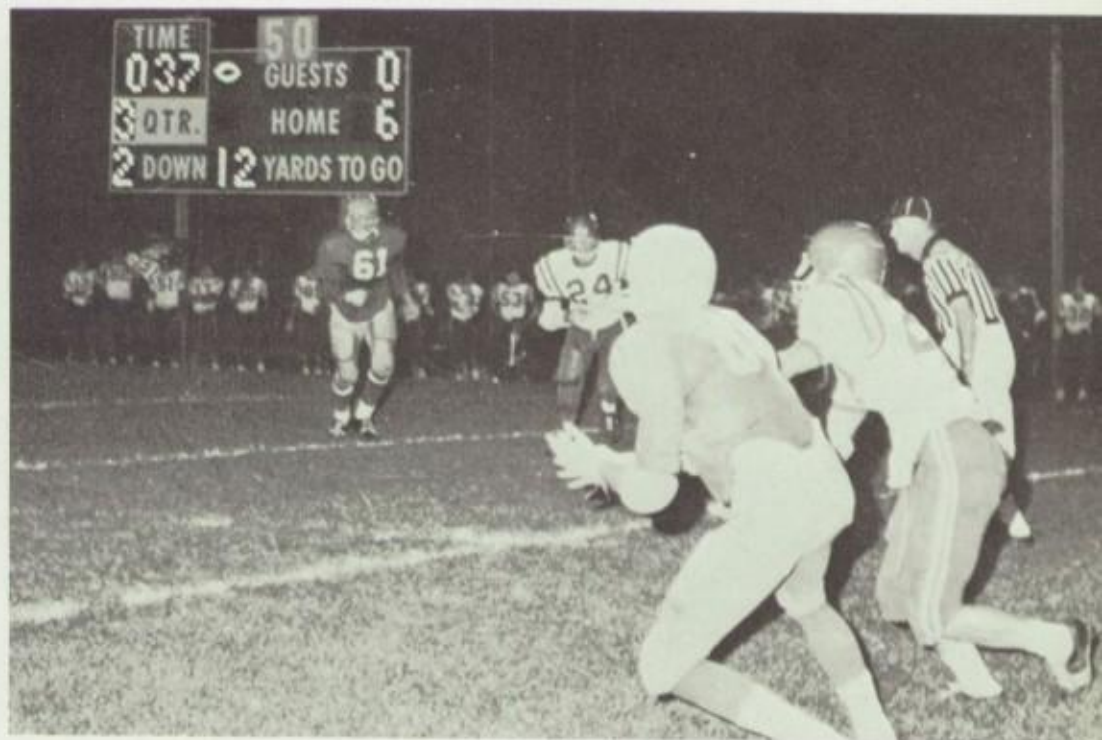
Seven of the All-Conference players were seniors. They were Quarterback Charles Wendt, Halfback Doug Krenz, Center Mark Heavrin, Tackle Gary Kratina, End Dave Way, End Richard Hopkins and Linebacker Scott Johnstone.

Playing tough defense all year qualified Junior Tackle Roy Gage as the only underclassman to make All-Conference from Ralston.

Coach McDonald's leading ground gainers were Doug Krenz with 847 yds. and 60 points. Charlie Wendt was second with 30 points and 472 yds. Getting third honors was Paul Ziemba.

Ralston also missed first-string players Seniors Jim McCaw, Mick Antonson and Junior Randy Bergren due to injury. They were all starters in the first game when the season started.

Closing the season was the final highlight when Coach McDonald was chosen as an assistant coach for the Shrine Bowl game for high school players which was played in Lincoln August 23, 1969.



Senior End Dave Way gets ready to receive an aerial bomb from Senior Quarterback Charlie Wendt in their loss to Millard.



Action is blocked by Blair's No. 84 as Senior Halfback Doug Krenz tries to pick-up extra yardage. Doug was the WORLD-HERALD'S pick for Back of the Week for his action in the Norfolk game where he scored three touchdowns and ran for long yardage on several plays.

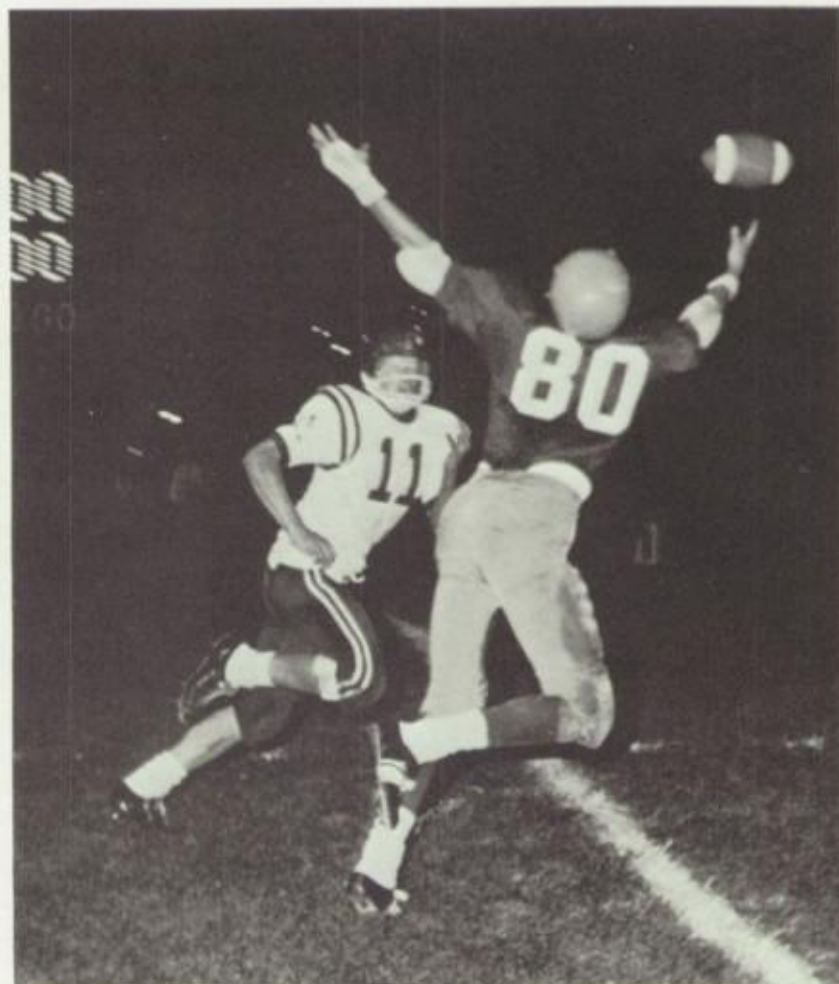
Blocking plays is a major role in the execution of a successful offense, and Seniors Mike Freel and Mark Heavrin show how it is done.



RHS Wins Six

VARSITY FOOTBALL RECORD

RALSTON	54	Plattsmouth	0
Ralston	0	MILLARD	13
RALSTON	13	Beatrice	6
RALSTON	33	Norfolk	14
Ralston	7	BLAIR	12
Ralston	0	SYRACUSE	6
RALSTON	31	Grand Island Northwest	0
RALSTON	20	Omaha Bryan	6
RALSTON	21	Papillion	0



Even with his arms extended all the way Senior Dave Way cannot pull in his pass as Millard's Gary Bunker plays tight defense.

6-3



VARSITY FOOTBALL. FRONT ROW: L. Plugge, C. Hicks, Student Manager, E. Slauter, D. Metzger, D. Grime, J. Gatewood, D. Hegarty, D. Pearson, D. Cook, M. Vaughan, K. Kowal, D. Krenz, L. Szatko, P. Dyer, K. Lacey, S. Braga, R. Danielson. ROW 2: M. Antonson, D. Swanson, R. Stone, B. Murphy, J. Foy, S. Allen, E. Foy, D. Chandler, Assistant Back Coach Kenneth Allen, Head Coach Neal McDonald, Assistant Line Coach Gary Dubbs, D. Ladd, M. McLaughlin, L. Barone, M. Heavrin, S. Timm, P. Bartz, R. Goodell, S. Schmid. BACK ROW: D. Johns, Student Manager, J. McCaw, P. Ziemba, G. Kratina, M. Kratina, B. Rogers, K. Wells, T. Romanick, R. Gage, D. Way, M. Freil, C. Wendt, T. Bowen, S. Bartz, B. Cottington, R. Hopkins, S. Johnstone, R. Bergren.

Senior Harriers Sterling West and Steve Forbes surround Junior Tony Victor in a practice session while they prepare for their conference meet at Nebraska City.



Principal Earl Pace gives encouraging words as Seniors Steve Forbes and Sterling West prepare for the District meet at Creighton Prep. Along with his duties as Principal, Mr. Pace finds time to attend CC meets.

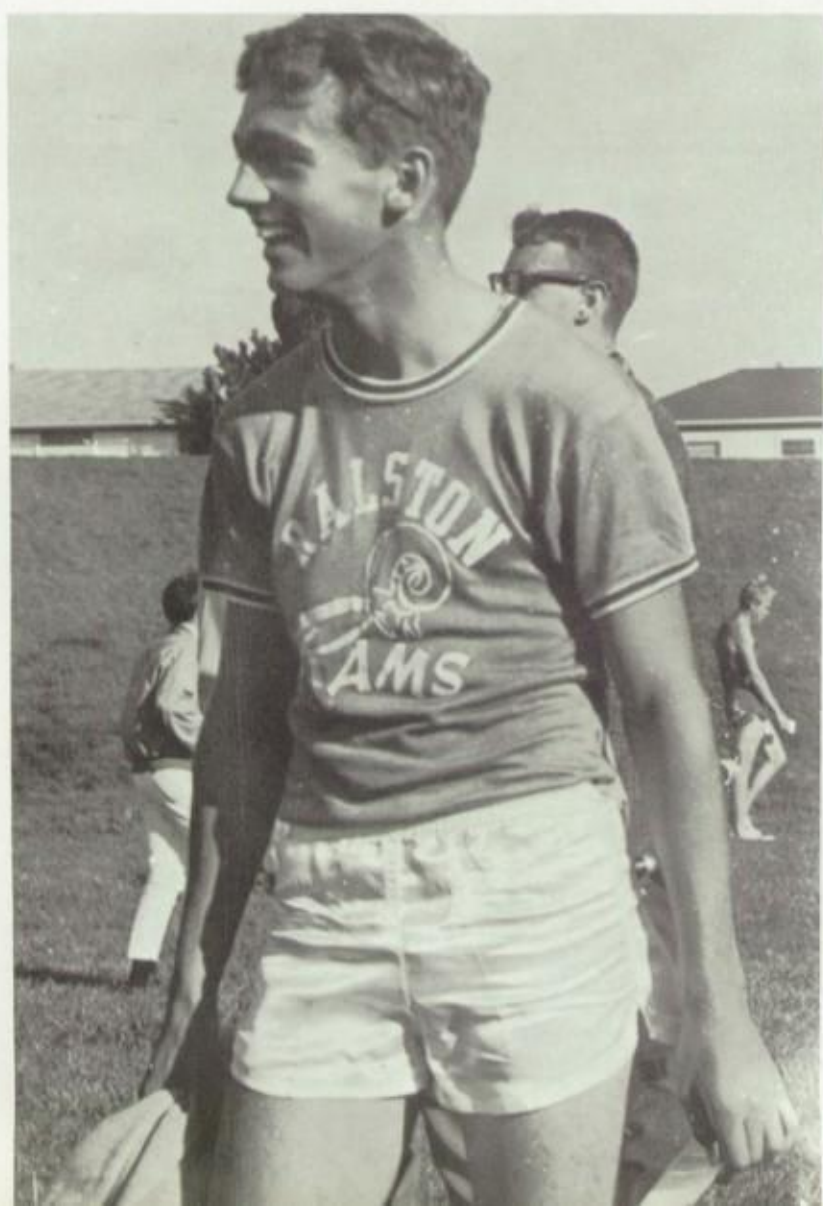




CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM. FRONT ROW: D. Leslie, S. West, S. Forbes, R. Skelton. BACK ROW: D. Williams, J. Forbes, Coach Reno Pfeil, T. Victor, D. Marolf.

Harriers Again Capture Conference Title

Senior Harrier Steve Forbes manages a smile as he finishes second at the 1.9 mile course at the Ak-Sar-Ben Conference meet at Nebraska City in which Ralston places first.



Retaining the Ak-Sar-Ben Conference Cross-Country title highlighted the 1968 season for Ralston. A slim two-point margin over Papillion made Ralston the winning team at Nebraska City.

Senior Steve Forbes finished second, Tony Victor was eleventh and Sterling West twelfth.

For the season, the Rams had four wins and six losses. All of the Ak-Sar-Ben opponents were beaten, but the team coached by Mr. Reno Pfeil did not beat a Class "A" team, except Papillion.

In District competition at Creighton Prep, Ralston placed sixth behind Rummel, North, Creighton Prep, Westside and Papillion. No individual runners qualified for State.

Five letters were awarded during the season to Seniors Steve Forbes, Dave Leslie and Sterling West and Juniors Tony Victor and John Forbes.

In order to qualify for a letter, the runner finished in the top one-half of finishers in half of all Cross-Country meets entered. If he scored for the championship conference or district team or finished in the top one-half of the finishers in the state championship meet a harrier also was eligible for a letter.

Rams Rate Class "A" Ranking

This year's basketball team compiled an impressive 13-8 record after a slow start early in the season. A six game winning streak helped boost the season's total. This was the second year that Ralston was classified "A".

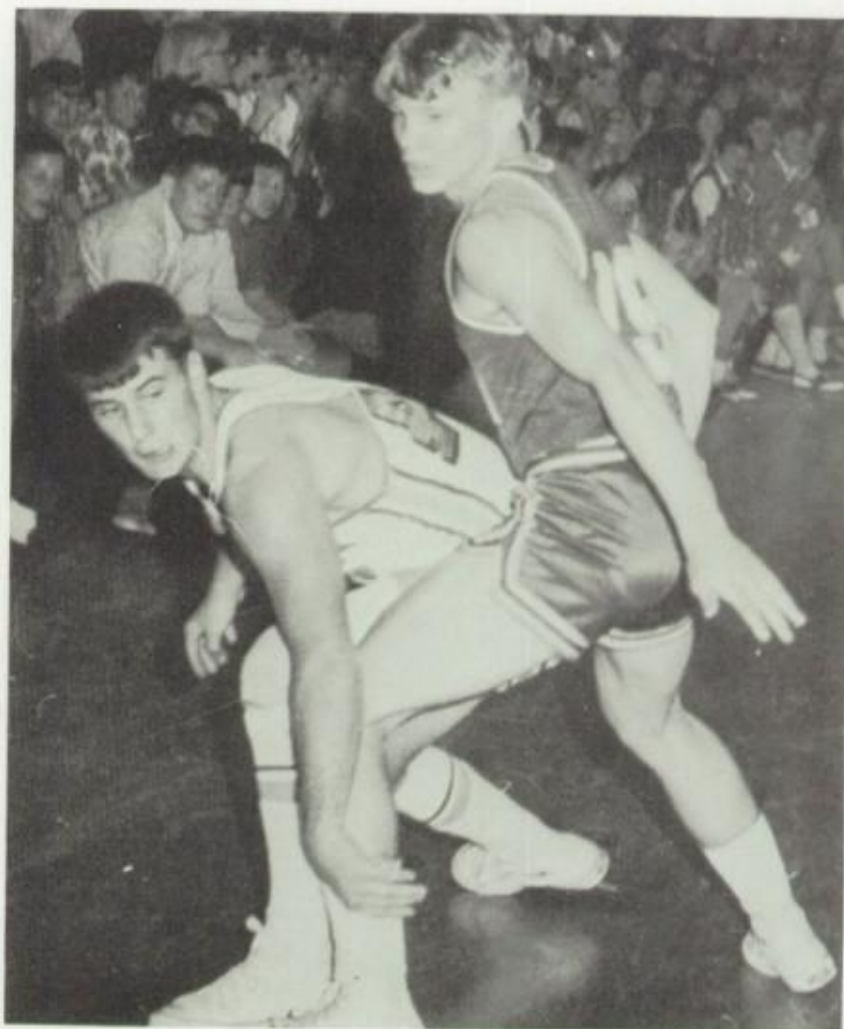
Scoring was led by Senior Charlie Wendt who put 364 points through the hoop. Charlie made 76 out of 116 free throws averaging 17.33 points per game. Charlie also had the most field goal attempts and the best field-goal average.

During their last year of basketball, the Kratina cousins, Gary and Mark, scored a combined 530 points. Gary had 212 while Mark had 218. Rebounding was also controlled by these two 6'4" players as Mark led all rebounders with a total of 221 rebounds and Gary with 187.

Guard Paul Ziemba, a senior, did all the ball-handling and play-making for the Rams. Paul compiled 74 assists while leading the fastbreak.

Outscoring their opponents the Rams totaled 1,268 points averaging 62.5 points per game, while allowing their opponents 1,155 points and an average of 55 points per game.

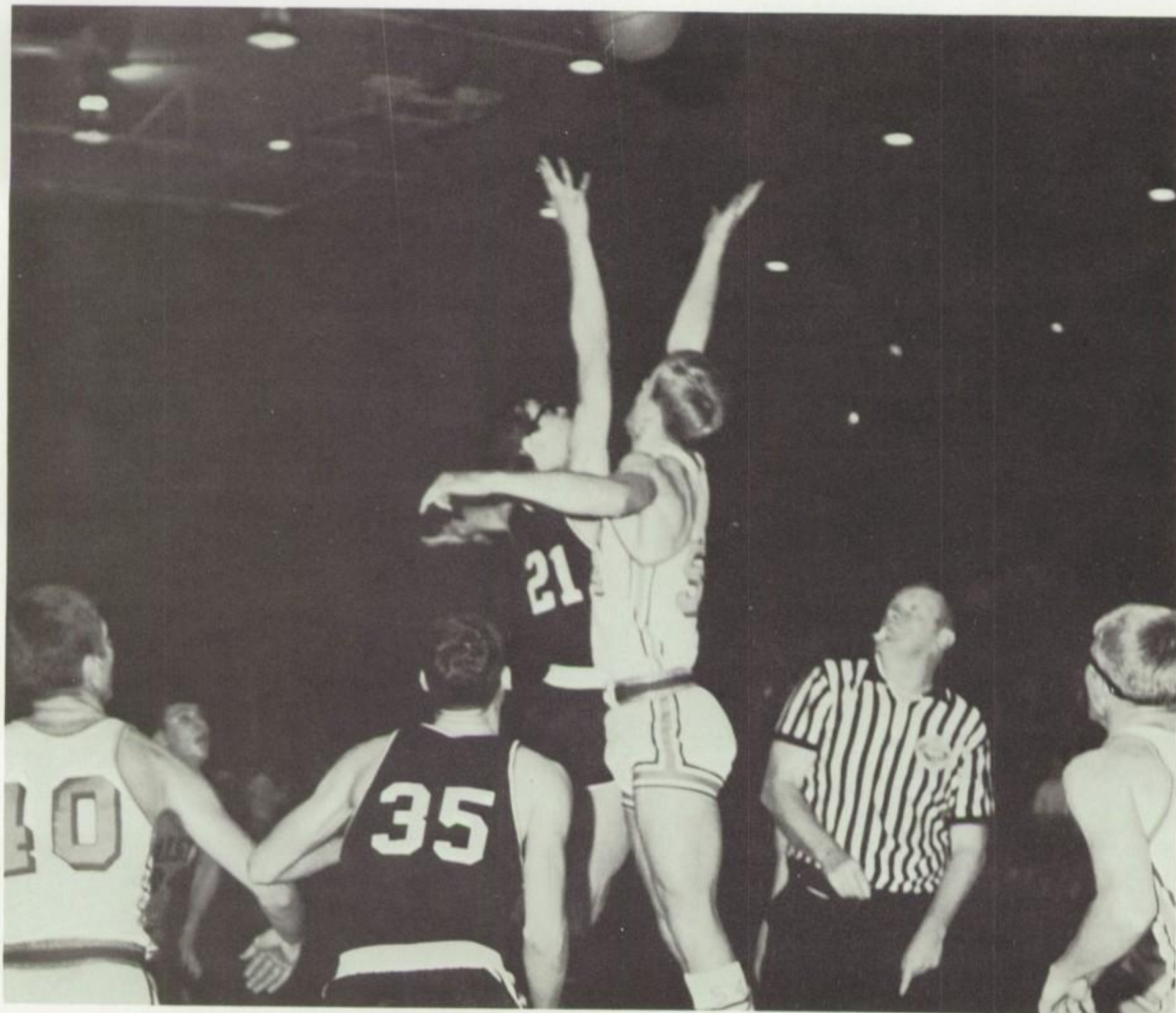
Basketball players achieving letters this season were Seniors Rich Hopkins, Gary Kratina, Mark Kratina, Dave Way, Charlie Wendt, and Paul Ziemba. Juniors Scott Hodgen and Roy Gage rounded out the lettermen for this year's squad.



Scrambling for a loose ball, Senior Paul Ziemba is being pressed by his aggressive defender from Syracuse.



VARSITY BASKETBALL. FRONT ROW: P. Ziemba, C. Wendt, R. Gage, G. Kratina, M. Kratina, D. Way, K. McCawley, R. Hopkins. BACK ROW: D. Johns, P. Dyer, P. Bret, D. Durham, Coach Bob Mackie, Assistant Coach Neal McDonald, K. Wells, B. Rogers, S. Hodgens, B. Murphy.

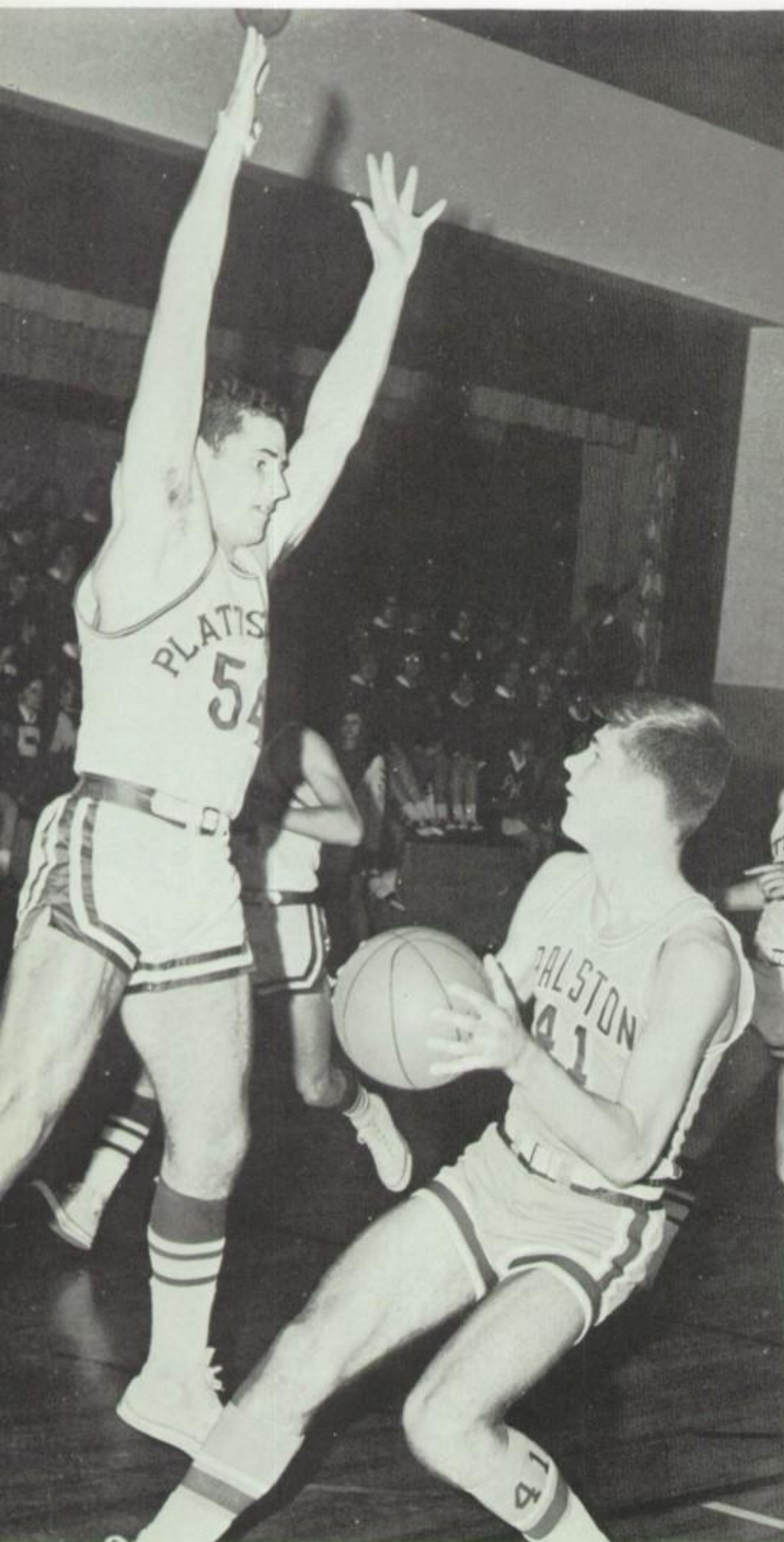


Referee Don Claussen seems to be backing away from the heated action which is about to begin as Senior Mark Kratina and Ryan's Rob Seykora vie for the jump ball. Highly-ranked Ryan was defeated by Ralston in the first outing between the two schools.

Cagers Nab Conference Third

TEAM SCORES

RALSTON	53	Beatrice	64	RALSTON	63	Millard	68
	73	Bryan	59		67	Papillion	46
	51	Westside	62		70	Bellevue	55
	47	Rummel	50		91	Blair	32
	62	Burke	47		88	Nebr. City	67
	62	Burke	59		62	Norfolk	60
	72	Papillion	64		71	Plattsmouth	38
	52	Millard	72		52	North	54
	56	Syracuse	54		58	Ryan	45
	59	Benson	83		61	Syracuse	58
District Tournament Ralston 57 — South 69							

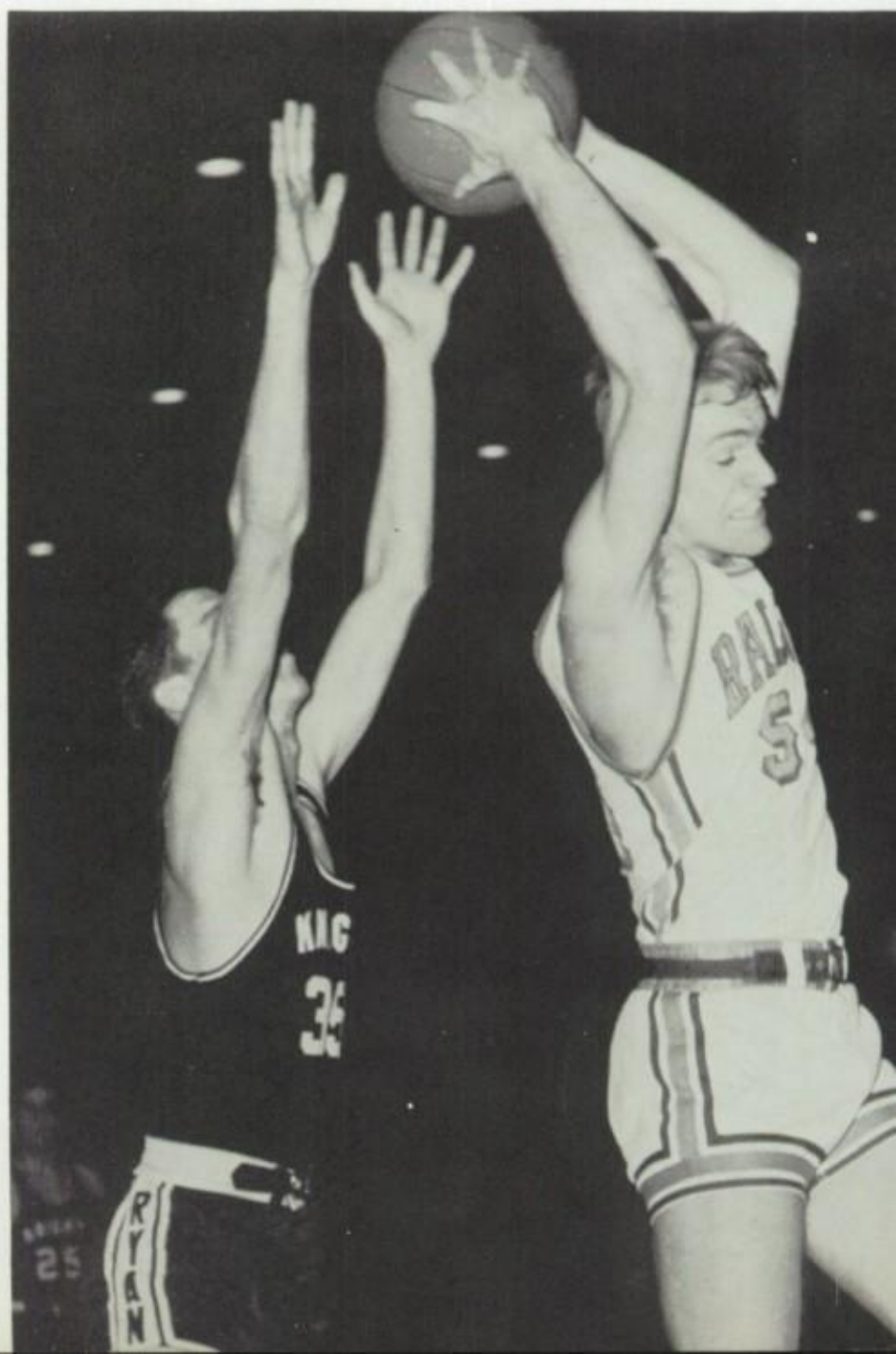


Hoping to fake his Plattsmouth opponent, Senior Charlie Wendt, high scorer, tries to get closer to the basket.



Eyeing the Ak-Sar-Ben Tournament trophies during the Ak-Sar-Ben Tournament, Professional Baseball Player Jackie Brandt operates the public address system at home basketball games.

Reaching high in the air for a rebound, Senior Mark Kratina is harassed by his Archbishop Ryan rival.





Seniors Paul Ziemba, 34, Mark Kratina, 54, and Charlie Wendt, 40, prepare to set up a fast break for two more points against the Knights as Ryan's Steve Brennan and Ralston's Dave Way go up with hopes of coming down with the ball.

Winning Season Highlights Year



With a move toward the basket, Senior Charlie Wendt avoids his opponents and gets a shot in the District game with South.

With perfect form, Sophomore Paul Bret gets his shot away with no difficulty over his opponent.





Junior Bill McPherson locks-up with Papio's District Champion Wayne Bradley in one of Ralston's home meets.

Three Attend State Tourney

A new coach and a new school were on the agenda for the Ram wrestlers this year.

Relieving Coach Bill Ruf, who started the wrestling program at the Ralston schools, was James McGrath, who formerly coached at Highland, Iowa.

Coach McGrath added two innovations to this year's wrestling program with the selection of a season-long captain and an award for the most valuable wrestler. Winners were determined by a team vote, supervised by Coach McGrath.

Receiving the captain of the year honors was Senior Mike Brimmer. Mike wrestled in the 127 lb. weight class for the 1968-1969 season.

Wrestler of the year honors went to Junior Mark Porter who also was a District Champion in the 145 lb. weight class. Mark's record for the season was 23 wins against four losses. Two of these losses came from Thomas Jefferson's Metro Champion in the 145 lb. weight class, Pedro Hunt.

Coach McGrath plans on bettering his 6-5 season's record with an impressive reserve team who had a 10-1 record, losing only to Boystown.

Coach James McGrath gets down to shout words of instruction while Assistant Coach Gene Seran watches on. Coach McGrath spends a lot of his time out of his chair yelling encouragement when his men are engaged in a close match.



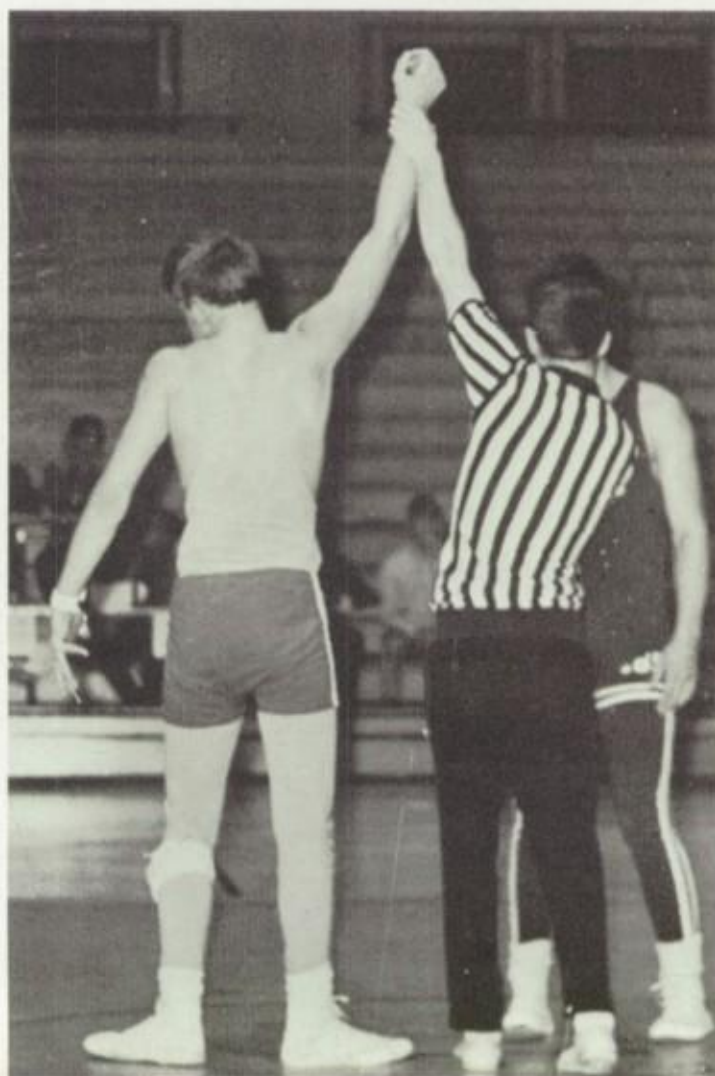


VARSITY WRESTLING. FRONT ROW: R. Johns, J. Grady. ROW 2: C. Kerndt, S. Porter, K. Lacey, D. White, M. Brimmer, S. Johnstone. BACK ROW: Asst. Coach Gene Seran, D. Nelson, M. Porter, M. Heavrin, B. McPherson, S. Grabowski, B. Cottingham, W. McPherson, Coach James McGrath.

Trying to use a half nelson, Senior District Champion Mike Brimmer attempts to pin his opponent.

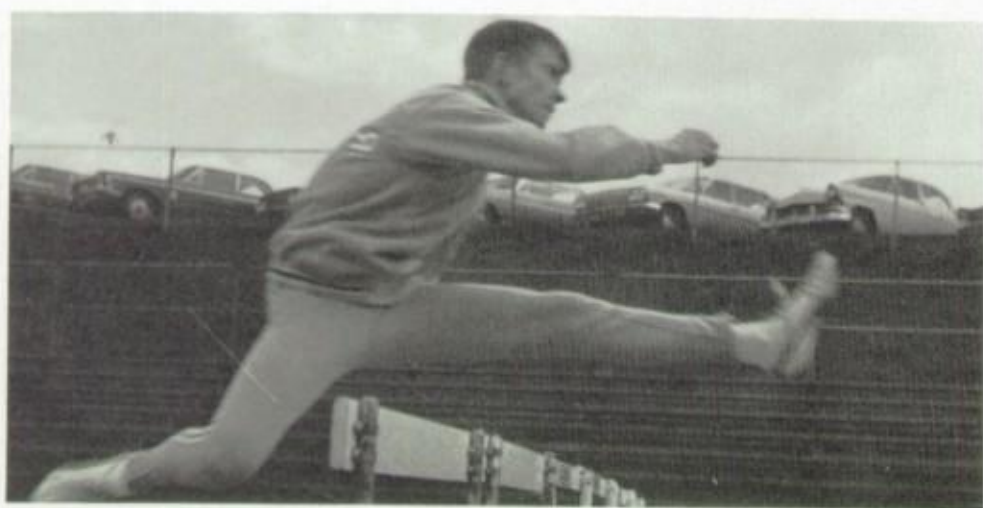


The sign of victory indicates a win as Senior Steve Grabowski defeats his opponent from Norfolk.





VARSITY TRACK TEAM. FRONT ROW: E. Slauter, M. Savage, D. Grime, D. Williams, R. Amato, M. Leslie, B. Watkins, R. Marolf, J. Hrabik, D. Chamberlain, D. Swanson. ROW 2: Assistant Coach Ken Peterson, C. Wiles, D. Metzger, J. Foy, J. Nielson, G. Kratina, S. Timm, T. Bowen, C. Browning, W. Melcher, Coach Reno Pfiel. BACK ROW: T. Victor, B. Dunn, D. Hegarty, S. Forbes, D. Way, M. Kratina, J. Holcomb, C. Wendt, D. Pearson, S. West, D. Leslie.



Ralston RAM photographer manages to get a hurdle sequence as Senior John Holcomb clears the high hurdle with perfect form. Besides running the hurdle events and the high jump, John runs many relay events and pole vaults.

Thinclads Set Seven New Records

Setting seven new records this year, Ralston's track team closed out a 2-1 record with three duals being cancelled because of bad weather.

Senior Mick Antonson set three of these records shattering John Rehberg's old record of 10.4 in the 100-yd. dash with a time of 10.2.

Mick had to share his last record with Senior John Holcomb as they both cleared the high-jump bar set at 6'1" in the high-jump event.

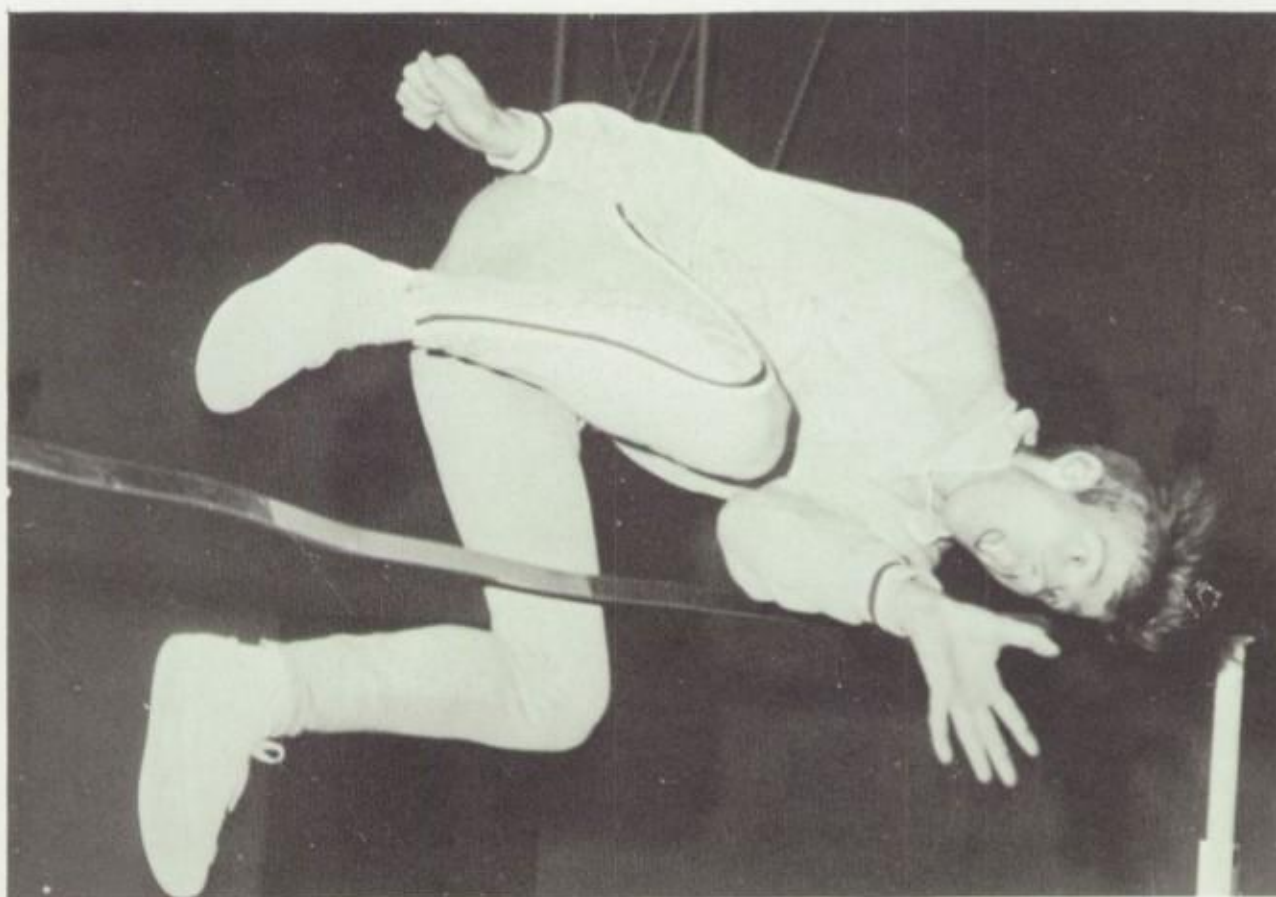
Senior Charlie Wendt added three more records for the Rams setting them in the 180-yd. high hurdles with a time of 20.8 and the 120-yd. low hurdles with a sizzling time of 15.3 in a year-end meet.

Leaping 21'1" in the long-jump established another school record for Charlie putting his name on five school records included the 880-yd. run and mile relay.

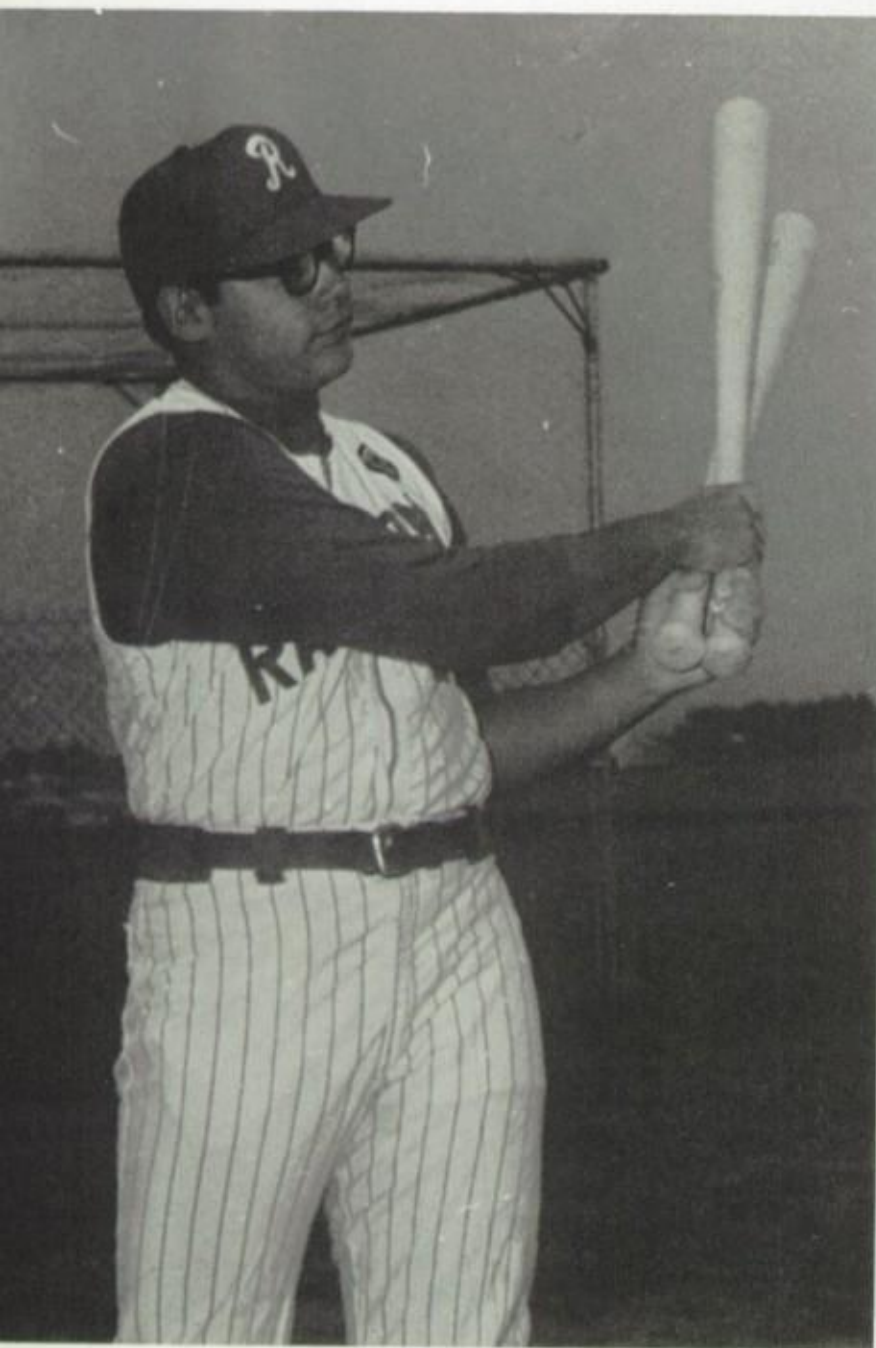
Coach Reno Pfiel finished his eighth year of coaching the trackmen by lettering the following boys: Seniors Mick Antonson, Steve Forbes, John Holcomb, Mark Kratina, Dave Leslie, Dave Way, Charlie Wendt, Sterling West; Juniors Bob Dunn, Wayne Melcher, Tony Victor; Sophomores Daryl Grime, Dave Hegarty, John Nielson and Dennis Pearson.



Getting himself set in the starting blocks, Junior Letterman Bob Dunn prepares to compete in the 880-yd. run.



With a look of amazement and surprise on his face, Senior Letterman John Holcomb clears the high-jump bar once again for his last year with the Ram track team.

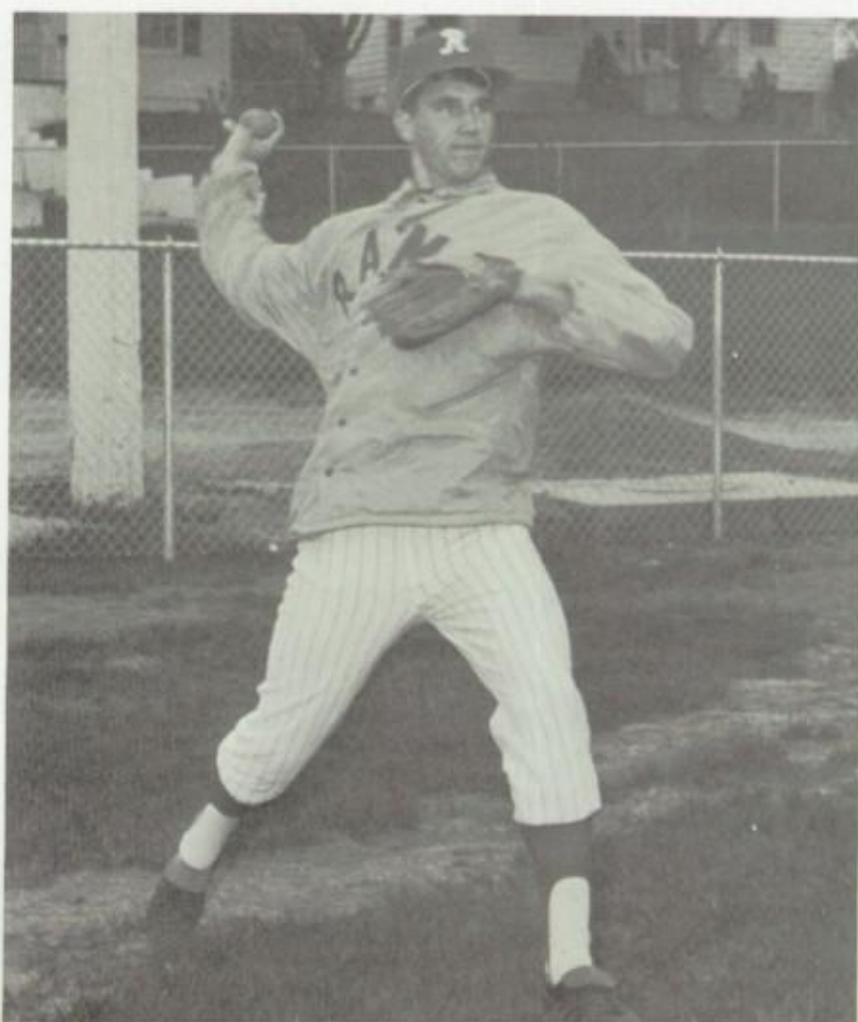


Taking a few practice swings, Junior Slugger Dave Ladd warms up before he takes his turn at bat.



A little pain is felt as Junior Roy Gage collects a few "strawberries" while Junior Catcher Tim Romanick watches. Roy plays first base for the Rams.

Junior Hurler Keith McCawley limbers his pitching arm before a practice baseball game at Orville Smith Field in Ralston.



Baseballers Close Out 5-7 Season

Experimenting with their pitching, running and batting abilities, Ralston High school's young baseball team compiled a 5-7 record during their second year in the ranks of Class "A" competition.

Leading the team in the hitting department was Sophomore Jack Scheissler. Jack collected 12 hits out of 28 times at bat for an impressive average of .429. Six of Jack's hits were doubles.

Behind Jack was last year's slugger and the only senior member on the team, Doug Krenz. Doug rapped out 12 hits, but was at bat 34 times. Doug never gave the opponents a break, playing errorless ball for the Rams in his centerfield position.

Ralston's pitching staff was headed by Junior Keith McCawley who had a respectable 3-4 season for the Rams. Along with his 2.80 earned run average, Keith wiffed 65 batters while pitching 40 hard-fought innings and was named outstanding player.

Among the boys lettered by Coach Robert Mackie were Senior Doug Krenz, Juniors Roy Gage, Jim Gatewood, Ed Hansler, Dave Ladd, Keith McCawley, Tim Romanick, Lou Shannon, Bob Sweet, Len Szatko, Ken Wells, Pat Wooster, Sophomores Pat Dyer, Jack Schiesler and Freshman Dick Anderson.



Junior Dave Ladd signals to his runner Junior Roy Gage to slide at Ralston's practice field after school.



Varsity Baseball Team. Front Row: D. Ladd, P. Bret, A. Wooster, R. Gage, S. Houck, J. Myers, J. Gatewood. Row 2: T. Romanick, L. Shannon, E. Hansler, P. Wooster, D. Krenz, P. Dyer, D. Anderson, J. Scheissler, B. Sweet. Back Row: Coach Robert Mackie, S. Braga, K. Wells, K. McCawley, L. Szatko, Assistant Coach Ken Allen.

Freshmen Set Conference Record

Capturing a Conference record in the two-mile relay Ralston's Frosh team finished a 1-4 season.

Members of this two-mile relay team were Tom LaBlanc, Steve Larson, Kent Kronberg and George Kalso who ran the event in 9.23.1.

In the Conference meet, the freshmen ended their season with a fourth-place finish behind Arbor Heights, Valley View and Millard, area schools.

SEASON RECORD

RALSTON	70	Papio	25
Bellevue	89	RALSTON	34
Valley View	83	RALSTON	35
Millard	99	RALSTON	24
Westbrook	53	RALSTON	48



With perfect form, Freshman Joe Ivey makes his way over a high hurdle in a freshman practice session.



FRESHMAN TRACK TEAM. FRONT ROW: R. Wolverton, S. Goolsby, B. Forbes, T. LaBlanc, S. Larson, K. Kronberg, R. Hamblen, J. Ivey. BACK ROW: Assistant Coach Lynn Osterholm, B. Jacobi, T. West, S. Ruser, S. TeKrony, R. Bruns, G. Kettlehut, M. Jackson, Coach Gary Dubbs. This is Coach Gary Dubb's second year of coaching the freshman track squad.



Outstanding golfer of the year, John Forbes, takes a practice swing.



Sophomore Mark Thurber finishes his first year as a Ram duffer.



Junior Rick Skelton makes his follow throw in a delicate chip shot to the green.

Forbes Offers Lift to Golf Team



Golf Coach John Jorgenson explains the route to take to a member of the opposing team at Ralston's Golf course, new this year. The nine-hole course has several water traps.

Outstanding Golfer Junior John Forbes was the biggest counterpart to Ralston's 2-9 season.

John was named the outstanding golfer of the year by Coach John Jorgenson at the All-Sports Banquet on May 24, 1969 and was presented with a season pass to the Lakeview Golf Course.

Ralston's two wins came when they defeated Plattsmouth and Brownell Talbot in spring play.

Ralston also achieved a sixth place in the Ak-Sar-Ben Conference meet behind Auburn, Papillion, Nebraska City and Millard on Auburn's course.

In District competition, Ralston finished eighth behind such tough competition as Beatrice, Lincoln Southeast, Lincoln High, Lincoln East, Lincoln Northeast, Papillion and Omaha Bryan at Beatrice.

This year's duffer team casted a letterman from each class which Senior Rich Ward, Junior John Forbes, Sophomore Kent Lacey and Freshman Dick Eckermann making a balanced team.

Coach Jorgenson planned to boost his team next year with three returning lettermen. Other golfers returning to lead the team next year included Junior Bobby Thompson, Sophomore Mark Thurber and Freshmen Doug Williams and Don Smith.

Joe Ivey Leads Freshmen '68 Gridders



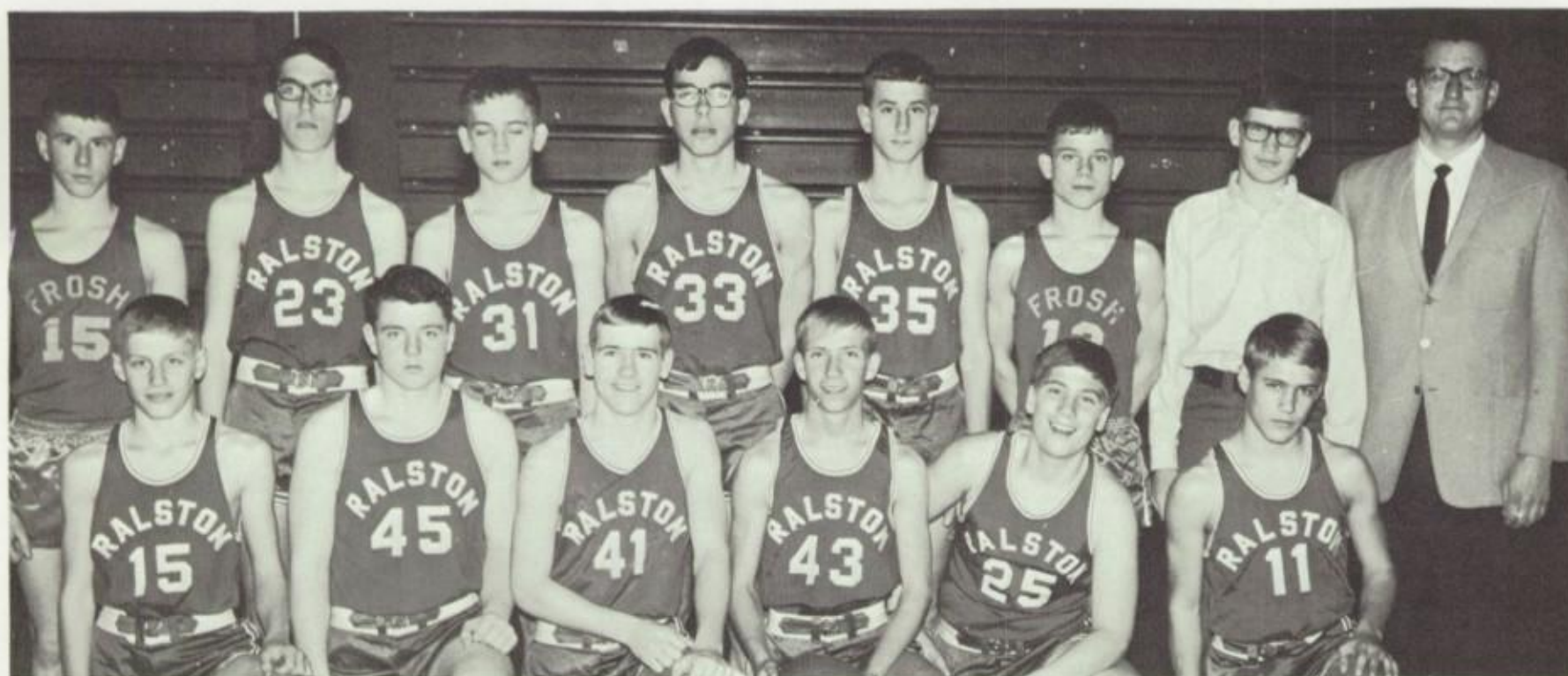
Freshmen Coach Ken Peterson completes his second year of coaching with a record of 3-4 for the season.



Anxious to get into the action, freshmen football players wait on the side lines as the Rams emerge victorious over Blair.



FRESHMEN FOOTBALL. FRONT ROW: Coach K. Peterson, R. Shively, T. West, S. Ruser, K. Anderson, S. Larson, D. Eckermann, A. Woster, J. Ivey, Asst. Coach L. Osterholm. ROW 2: D. Gould, J. Mills, T. LeBlanc, G. Kettlehut, S. Zagazda, R. Stuehm, R. Ray, K. Wind, D. Williams. ROW 3: M. Jackson, B. Harrington, D. Murray, R. Delgado, S. Goolsby, D. Smith, S. TeKrony, C. Hutchind, K. Kronberg, D. Jacobi. BACK ROW: D. Holmes, D. Johnson, D. Higgins, D. Kiser, T. Ziemba, T. McGuire, R. Wolverton, T. Rowe, R. Hamble, D. Condon.



FRESHMEN BASKETBALL. FRONT ROW: B. Harrington, D. Condon, D. Anderson, D. Kiser, T. Ziemba, J. Ivey. BACK ROW: D. Gould, J. Mills, R. Stuehm, D. Eckerman, G. Kettlehut, R. Hamblen, D. Smith, Coach John Jorgensen.

Smallest Freshmen Cagers Hustle

Freshmen football players highlighted a respectable 3-4 season by being the second force to defeat the Blair Bears, arch rivals, with a tight 7-6 win on the Ralston field.

Rounding out the win column were wins over Westbrook and Papillion with losses coming from Arbor Heights, Millard, Valley View and Cathedral.

Halfback Joe Ivey lead the team in scoring, rushing and pass receiving while Quarterback Dick Anderson was the top passer.

Leading the defensive unit was Tackle Scott Ruser, who compiled the most tackles and Center Steve Larson, who was tops in assists.

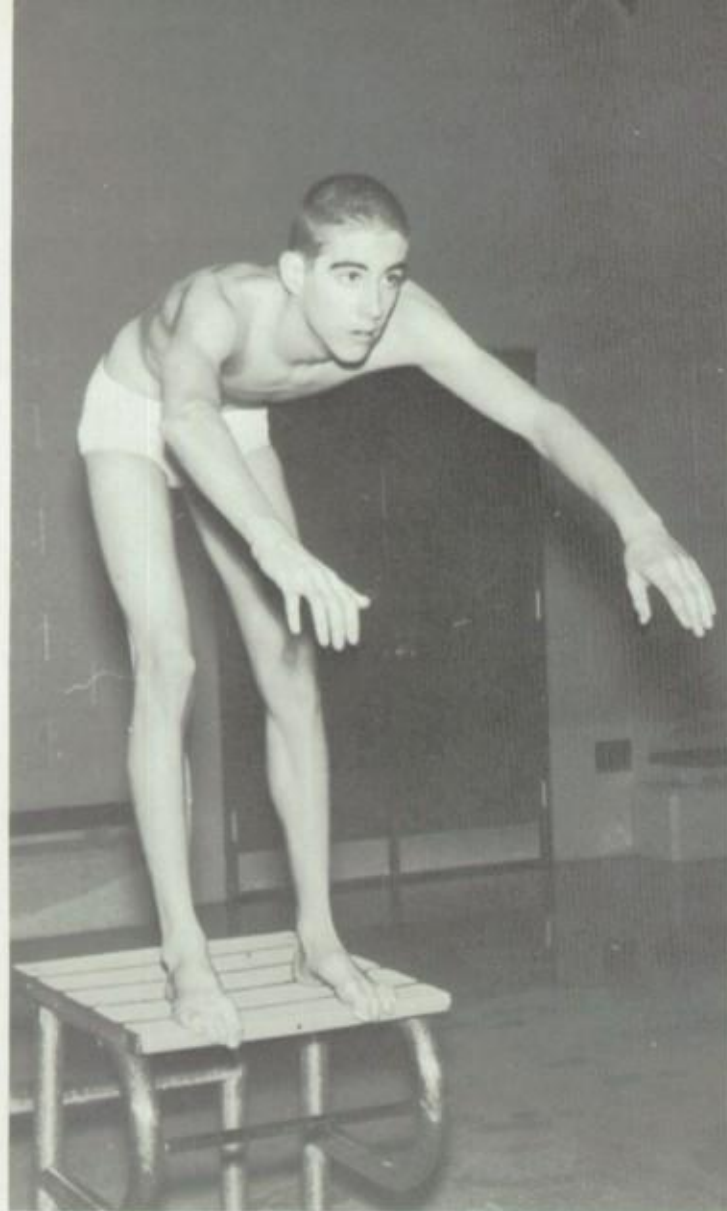
Frosh basketballers did not emerge as victorious as the football squad, but nevertheless, managed to defeat Westbrook 47-34.

Finally tally showed a 1-13 record. Following regular season play, the Junior Rams concluded the basketball season by competing in the Millard Invitational Tournament at Millard, Nebraska, in a four team tournament for the area schools.

Host Millard opened tourney action by dumping the frosh 63-48. Papillion then edged out the Ram yearlings in a close two-point contest to nail down the third-place spot.



Towering over his Millard opponents, Freshman Dennis Condon attempts to boost the Rams' score by two points.



Bending over in his starting position, Freshman Scott Ruser prepares himself for the 100-yd. freestyle.

Trying to compete with larger, experienced schools in an athletic event such as swimming was quite a task, but determined Ralston athletes met the challenge compiling a respectable record of 5-10 for their first year of swimming.

Coach Larry Hill spent countless hours teaching fundamentals to a group of inexperienced tankers who faced such talents as Westside, Creighton Prep, Omaha Burke and Lincoln Southeast in their first year of competition.

The most consistent member of the young team was Freshman Scott Ruser. In state competition at Lincoln, Nebraska, Scott placed fourth in the 100-yd. backstroke and seventh in the 200-yd. individual medley for the Ram cause.

Being chosen as honorary captains by Coach Larry Hill were Senior Aquamen Mick Antonson, John Vaughan and Roger Phelps.

Mick was the leading diver this year for the Rams while John displayed his talents in the 100-yd. and 50-yd. freestyles. Roger swam the 100-yd. backstroke and was an avid relay man.

Members of the tanker team lettering this first year of swimming competitively were Seniors Mick Antonson, John Vaughan, Roger Phelps, Juniors Keith Kowal, Kevin Vaughan; Sophomores Dave Fritzmeier, Mark Thurber, Mark Vaughan; and Freshmen Steve TeKrony and Scott Ruser.

Ruser Places Fourth in State Contest



SWIM TEAM. FRONT ROW: M. Thurber, D. Marolf, B. Forbes. ROW 2: M. Antonson, J. Vaughan, G. Kowal, P. Thomas, K. Vaughan, M. Vaughan. BACK ROW: R. Siewerdsen, S. Ruser, D. Fritzmeier, S. TeKrony, R. Skelton, R. Phelps, T. Rowe, K. Kowal, Coach Larry Hill.

Royals Capture Intramural Championship

This year's intramural champions, the Royals, posted a perfect 10-0 mark.

Averaging 24 points a game and leading all scorers was Senior Steve Grabowski who totaled 240 points during the season. Forty points behind Steve was Senior Rod Romanick with 200 points for an average of 20 points per game.

Others at the top of the chart in scoring were Seniors Jason Wyscarver, Sterling West, Doug Krenz, Mick Antonson and Dave Leslie.

Sponsoring intramurals for the second straight year was Mr. Tom Allen. Mr. Allen was also the librarian at the Middle school.

There were no requirements for intramurals or tryouts. Interested boys gave a dollar to Mr. Allen and came to the games on Monday nights which were held at 6:30, 7:30, and 8:30.

Six senior boys were chosen as captains and they selected members to play on their teams.

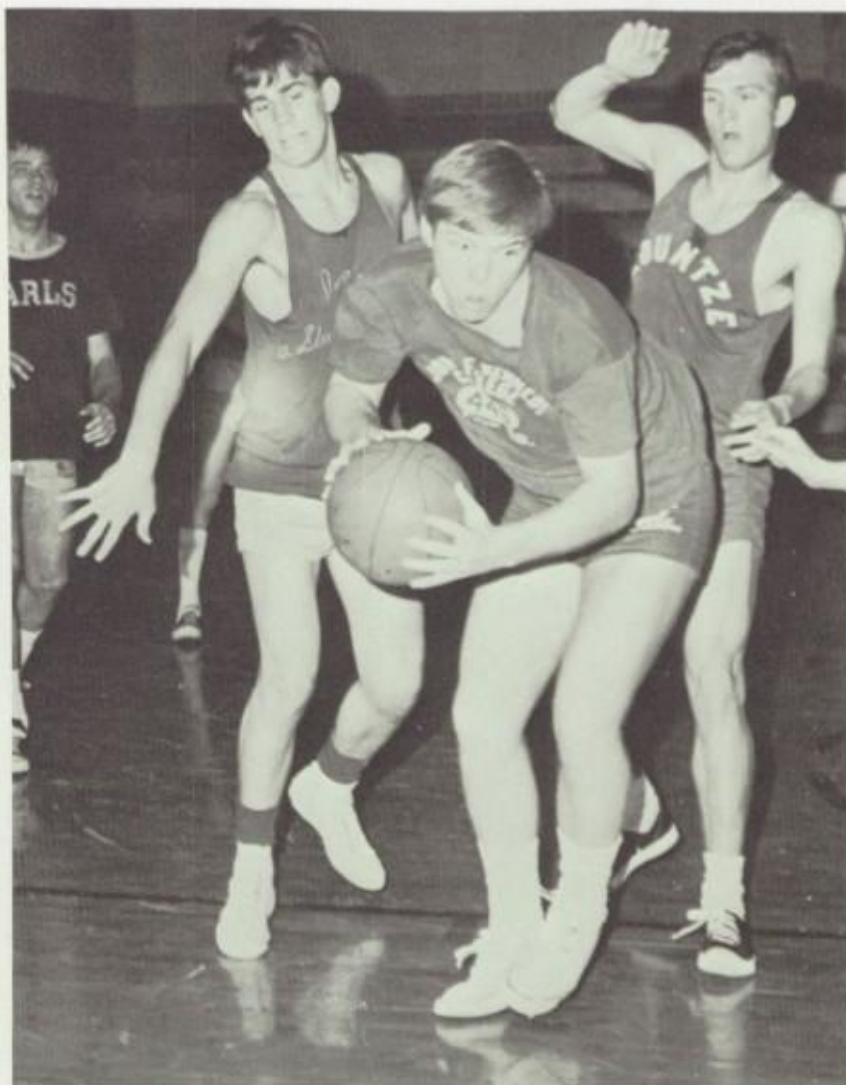
This year's teams and captains were The Royals, Captain Jim McCaw; The Knicks, Captain Doug Krenz; The Hawks, Captain Mark Heavrin; The Lakers, Captain Jack Smith; The Celtics, Captain Ster West; The Falcons, Captain Mike Freel.



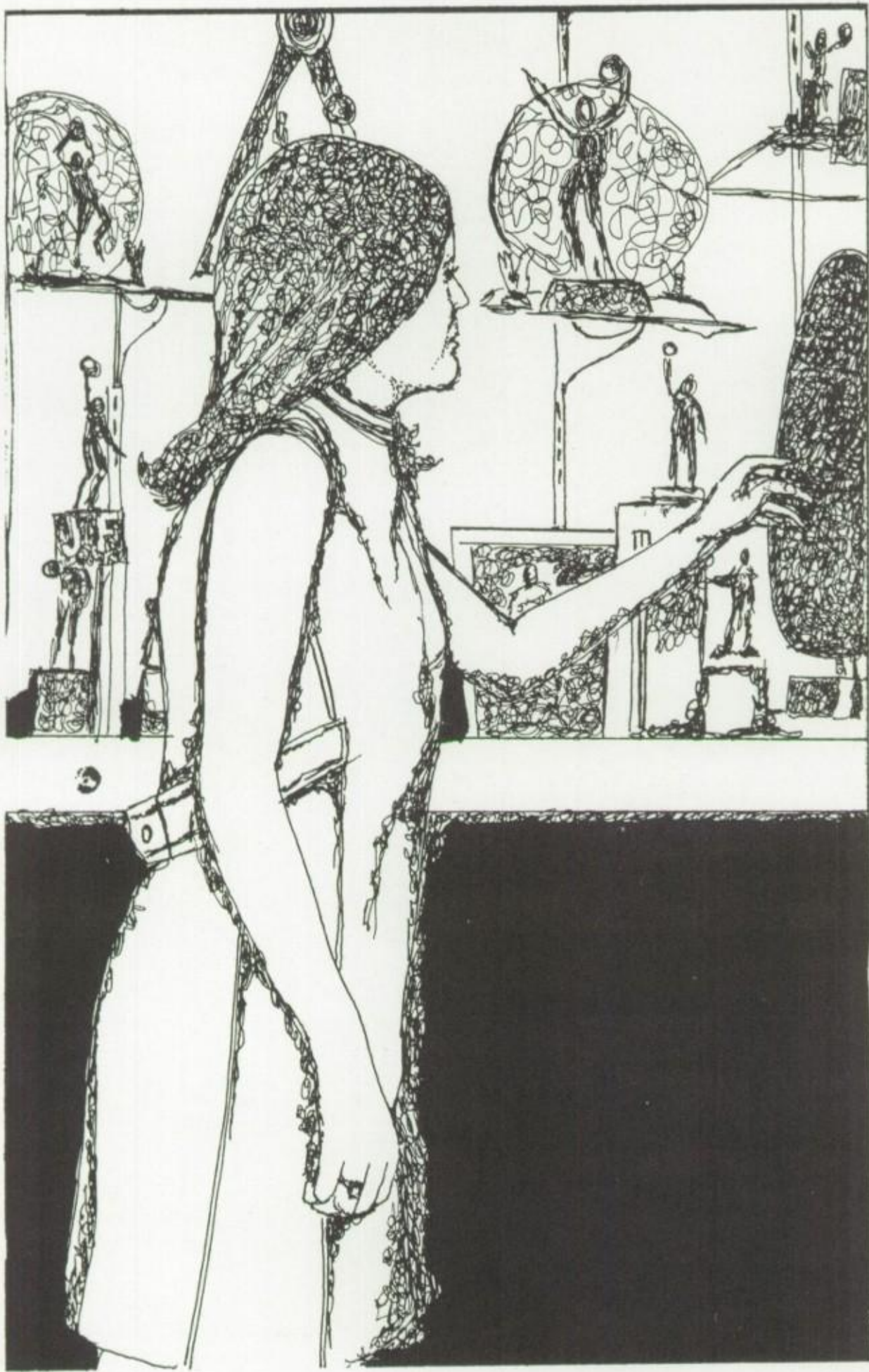
Pointing out the victim, Senior Referee Paul Ziemba accuses Senior Mark Heavrin of committing a foul under the boards.



CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM. FRONT ROW: Jim Bosco, Jim McCaw. BACK ROW: Landis Thompson, Tim Goede, Rod Romanick.



Junior Randy Bergren turns to dribble the other way as Seniors Steve Grabowski and Ster West block his way to the basket.



UNDERCLASSMEN



Junior's Float Places Second

S. Allen
D. Bane
S. Bazis
J. Bell
P. Bendinger
R. Bergren
T. Bessey



D. Borsheim
L. Boukal
T. Bowen
R. Brabec
S. Brisbois
D. Smith
R. Callaway



L. Cambell
M. Chamberlin
D. Chandler
T. Cherek
R. Chinn
I. Clark
J. Collier



J. Cswercko
L. Cummings
L. Czapenski
K. Dickerson
R. Dotson
B. Drapalik
M. Duncan



M. Dunkle
L. Dunn
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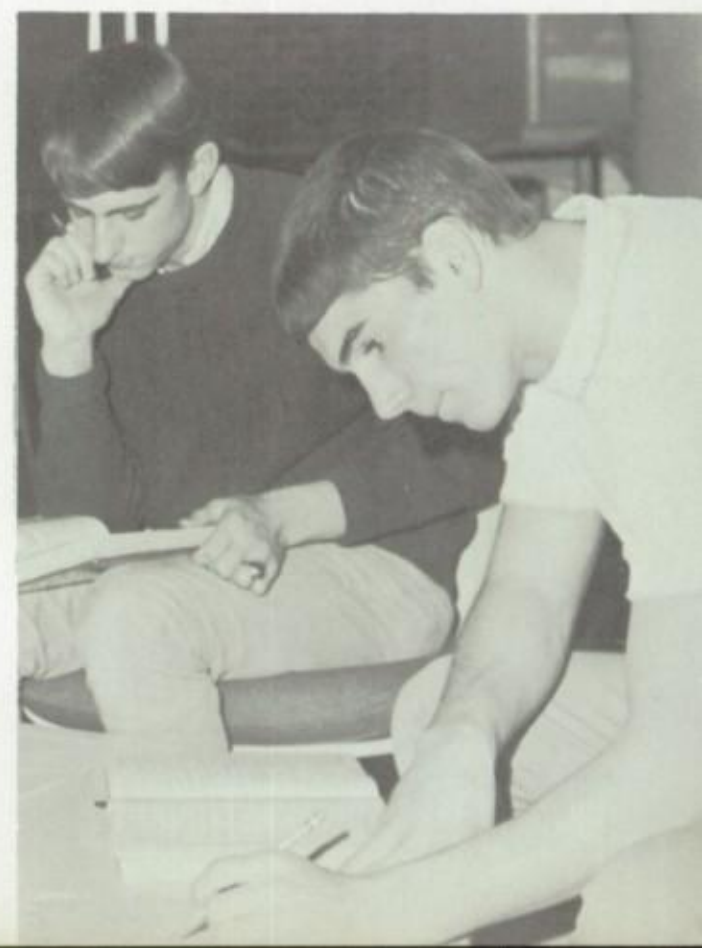
P. Flott
G. Fontanini
J. Forbes



E. Foy
R. Gage
J. Gatewood



Library use comes in handy for Juniors Jody Pettinger and Mark Porter as they ponder over a daily math assignment.



Firsts Highlight Class of '70



K. Geiler
C. Gilbert
J. Grady



L. Guyott
S. Hamilton
D. Hanner



E. Hansler
M. Harlow
D. Harmon



H. Henk
D. Heyer
C. Hicks
A. Hill
S. Hodgins
W. Holcomb
S. Houck



R. Janecek
S. Jensen
D. Johns
R. Johns
B. Kettelhut
K. Klintworth
K. Kowal



S. Koza
P. Kvetensky
D. Ladd
C. Lapham
R. Latta
R. Leffler
F. Logan



K. McCawley
M. McGuire
P. McLaughlin
W. McPherson
L. Marks
R. Marlof
R. Meisinger



P. Metzger
D. Miller
O. Moninger
R. Morin
J. Nauman
D. Nelson
P. Nelson

Several firsts highlighted the junior's year. Crowning junior royalty for the honor of king and queen at the annual Student Council's Criss Crosser dance Feb. 14 was a first. Previously, the king and queen were chosen from any class for the honor.

Selected candidates by the Stu-Co were Sherry Skelton, Deb Harmon, Pam Nelson, Karen Geiler and Pam Bendinger. King candidates chosen were Russell Leffler, Douglas Chandler, Rick Skelton, Charles Hicks and Lane Plugge with Russ and Sherry winning.

Leading the class as president was Charles Hicks with Karen Geiler assisting as vice-president. Lane Plugge served as secretary with Doug Chandler taking charge of all money matters including prom.

Karen Geiler, Sherry Skelton, Rick Skelton, Charlie Hicks and Doug Chandler were elected to the Student Council by their fellow classmates in the spring of their sophomore year to serve in '68-'69.

To raise money, juniors held bake sales after school and sold at all basketball games, including the Ak-Sar-Ben tournament held at Ralston.

Helping the class were Mrs. Marlene Perry, art and home economics instructor, and Mr. James Dimon, social studies teacher both new Ralston teachers.

Prom Theme Enchants Juniors

C. Newby
K. Newville
P. Nicklen
J. Norwood
T. Olsen
D. Ott
C. Petersen



S. Peterson
M. Pettinger
L. Plugge
M. Porter
P. Promes
R. Rehder
W. Rogers



T. Romanick
C. Ronsin
D. Roseberry
R. Rothermund
K. Ryan
L. Schimonitz
B. Schulze



L. Shannon
W. Sheppard
T. Shields



V. Shields
C. Sindelar
R. Skelton



S. Skelton
J. Slovek
R. Smith



J. Steyskal
R. Stone
D. Stratton



J. Svahn
K. Sykora
L. Szatko



Discussing the Student Council news for the week is Junior Rick Skelton. Onlooker Junior Ray Chinn attends meeting during his free period. All students could attend.



RHS Juniors Take All-State



T. Taylor
R. Thomas
R. Thompson
R. Thompson



S. Ustohal
D. Vana
D. VanFleet
J. VanSeveren



K. Vaughan
A. Victor
G. Vinduska



J. Ward
L. Ward
K. Wells



M. Wheeler
S. Whitney
G. Wiles



L. Wilfing
N. Wilkinson



C. Willaims
J. Worley



P. Woster
S. Young



Senior Doug Phelps and Junior Kevin Vaughan display happy grins while at All-State in Grand Island.

New Courses for Class of '71

B. Agostini
D. Akin
R. Amato
J. Baratta
D. Barone
R. Barry
P. Bartz



S. Beard
J. Becwar
S. Bessey
M. Bolte
M. Bolte
B. Borsheim
M. Bosco



R. Boysen
S. Braga
D. Breck
P. Bret
M. Brinker
L. Brown
D. Buchanan



W. Bunselmeyer
R. Caradori
M. Carl
L. Cawley
D. Chamberlain
D. Chandler
R. Chickinell



C. Chinn
P. Clark
S. Combs
D. Cook
C. Creekmur
M. Curran
R. Danielson



M. Duncan
D. Durham
P. Dyer



G. Eckhardt
J. Engell
P. Fernen



E. Ferrin
L. Floro
M. Foehlinger



Vice-President Thomas Grabowski, Secretary-Treasurer Carla Squire and President Kent Lacey study the minutes of the last sophomore class meeting to present to the class.





Being in good humor Sophomores Paul Bret and Tom Hamblem kid around while Junior David Ladd casually looks away.



T. Foster
J. Foy
L. Freel



M. French
D. Fritzmeier
C. Gabriel



R. Gibson
P. Gilbert
M. Gillpatrick



R. Goodell
P. Goodrow
J. Gorum
T. Grabowski
C. Grime
D. Grime
V. Gross



T. Hamblen
D. Hansen
D. Hegarty
H. Herron
T. Hurley
J. Hurst
T. Jackson



D. Jacobsen
T. Jensen
C. Johns
K. Johnson
D. Jones
C. Kealy
M. Kircher



S. Kohl
C. Kortus
L. Kroll
J. Kula
K. Lacey
C. Larkins
J. Larrabee



M. Leslie
W. Linderman
C. Lyddon
C. McCawley
P. McDonald
R. McNutt
R. McPherson



Sophomore Phyllis Szatko helps fellow general business classmates Gene Page and Debbie Jacobsen with one of their daily assignments during class using a fist for emphasis.

D. Marr
B. Mason



L. Melcher
D. Metzger
C. Miller



D. Modlin
R. Monroe
S. Moore
G. Moran
M. Mullen
P. Mullen
B. Murphy



K. Murray
L. Myatt
J. Myers
D. Nebe
G. Newby
L. Newcomb
J. Newman



J. Nielsen
D. Nilius
V. North
M. O'Connor
M. Olsen
S. Opperman
D. Ott



C. Pace
G. Page
D. Pearson
M. Peters
K. Peterson
W. Pirtle
S. Porter



W. Priest
D. Ranslem
V. Risk
D. Ruhe
M. Savage
S. Schmid
P. Schmidt



M. Schum
W. Sedlak
D. Segobia
D. Sheppard
S. Sherry
K. Shields
R. Siewerdsen



Four Elected Four Class Posts

Sophomore class officers were elected in the fall. Kent Lacey served as president, Tom Grabowski, vice-president and the job of secretary-treasurer went to Carla Squire.

Student Council members that served for their sophomore year were elected in the spring of 1968. Each student filled out an application, had it signed and presented a speech to the class. The class then voted for the six candidates.

Glenna Eckhardt, Chris Gabriel, Judy Larrabee, Mike Leslie, Rhonda McNutt and Jo TeKrony were elected to represent their class on Stu-Co.

Homecoming festivities kept the sophomore class busy in the fall when they built their first float. "Cave 'Em" marked the theme that placed third in the overall float competition.

A Bear with a threatening Ram looking into his cave symbolized the Ralston-Bryan game.

Rhonda McNutt's house sighted the building of the class float along with sheltering it.

Two new teachers to the Ralston school system acted as class sponsors for the sophomores.

They were Mr. Kenneth Allen, social studies, and Project English teacher Mr. William Novak.



E. Slauter
L. Sorensen
C. Squire



D. Stetler
T. Stone
D. Struz



D. Stuart
G. Swanger
D. Swanson



K. Sykora
P. Szatko
L. Szelewycz



J. TeKrony
D. Templeton
M. Teshack



L. Thompson
M. Thurber
S. Timm
S. Tompkins
A. Toy
M. Vaughan
M. Vinduska



G. Walasek
D. Ward
M. Watson
R. Wheeler
R. Willers
D. Williams
S. Wurthmann



D. Wynn
C. Wyscarver
L. Yarbrough
C. Zarkowski

First Frosh Float Fares Fourth for

R. Allen
R. Anderson
E. Babcock
C. Barry
F. Belmont
C. Black
K. Boettcher



R. Bruns
K. Burt
C. Callaway
L. Catania
R. Charmichal
R. Cherek
D. Christensen



M. Christensen
T. Clark
D. Condon
B. Copenhaver
R. Delgado
L. Dole
L. Duncan



T. Dyer
R. Dunkle
R. Eckerman
R. Fidone
C. Finke
N. Fisher
B. Forbes



M. Friesz
K. Fry



R. Gadsden
S. Goolsby



S. Gorker
D. Gould



L. Graves



Freshman Lucinda Lovell finds high school days expensive as she looks for money.

Beginning All Class Effort



R. Hamblen
P. Hammel
W. Hangren
D. Hanner
P. Hansen
K. Hanson



V. Hardin
W. Harmsen
W. Harrington
W. Henk
R. Heyer
K. Hickman
C. Higgins



D. Holmes
M. Hill
M. Hopkins
M. Hossler
S. Hundt
C. Hutchins
C. Hutchins



J. Ivey
K. Jackson
M. Jackson
B. Jacobi
D. Johnson
K. Jorgensen
G. Joy



G. Kalso
L. Kazor
D. Kellberg
M. Keller
D. Kent
C. Kerndt
D. Kettelhut



D. Kiser
W. Kissel
J. Kohl
S. Kortus
L. Kowal
G. Kowal
K. Kronberg



J. Kulus
M. Kunz
S. Lane
S. Larson
T. LeBlanc
B. Leffler
L. Lewis



L. Lovell
T. McGuire
G. McKinley
V. McMinn
B. Maeder
V. Mahan
R. Majors

Freshmen Add Names to Roll Call



Contributing helpful hints from the freshmen class to the Stu-Co are Freshmen Sue Sindelar, Scott Ruser, Dawn Schreurs, Tom West and Sue Tadlock.

"Beat the Bears" was the theme for the freshmen class float that received fourth place in the Homecoming float competition early in the year.

Orange, yellow and brown were the colors of the overall competition theme "Indian Summer."

Consisting of a drum with a Bryan Bear inscribed on it, the float had two drumsticks attached to symbolize the Rams beating the Bears. The float displayed long hard hours of work for the beginners.

Last fall was the first time that the freshmen class was included in Homecoming festivities. Since the addition of the freshmen class to the senior high was made all activities are open to their class along with the balance of the Ralston senior high.

Student Council representatives for the year were elected in the spring of eighth grade.

Six representatives were voted into the council by their fellow classmates. They were Michael Friesz, Scott Ruser, Dawn Schreurs, Susan Sindelar, Sue Tadlock and Thomas West who all served one year.

Mr. Craig Kulish, social studies teacher, and English Teacher Mrs. Gayle Gaskill served as sponsors for the freshmen class. This is the first year at Ralston for both of the teachers.

M. Michaelson
J. Mills
K. Morley
M. Murphy



D. Murray
J. Nemman
S. Noel
D. Nyhaug



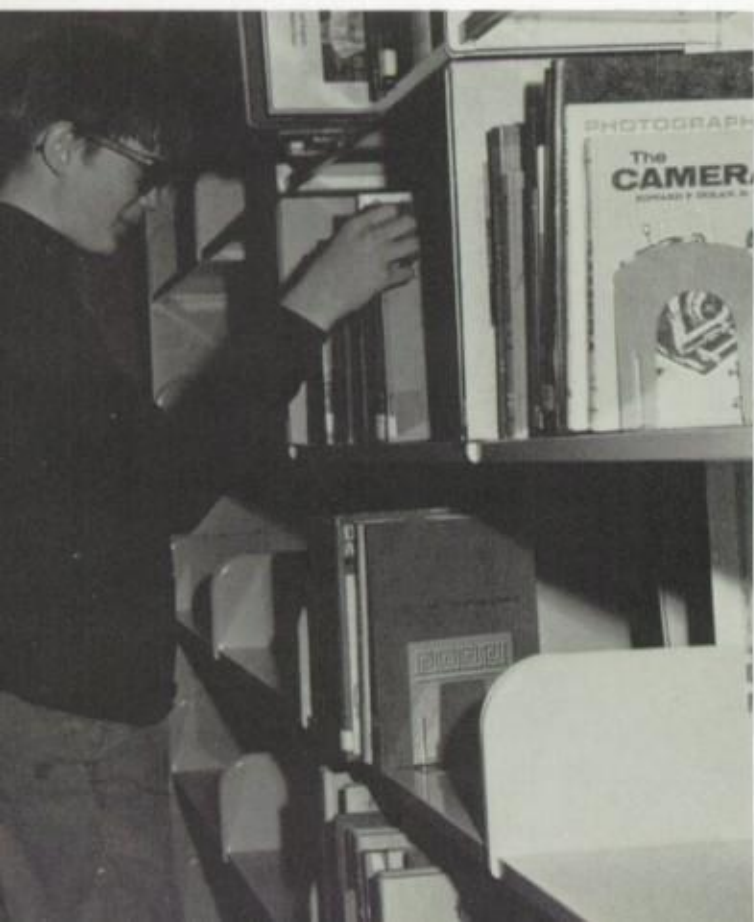
B. Patterson
S. Paulsen
W. Penrose
C. Perekslis



B. Perkins
J. Peterson
K. Phelps
D. Pond



N. Pospichal
K. Powers
S. Priest
W. Rains



Browsing through the bookshelves in hopes of finding what he needs is Freshman Mike Hossler.

for First Year in New Building



B. Rankin
R. Ray
R. Rhine
R. Romanick
E. Rothermund
T. Rowe
D. Royer



S. Ruser
S. Sanders
G. Schmuecker
C. Schneider
D. Schreurs
T. Seefeld
P. Segobia



B. Sheppard
D. Shields
R. Shively
S. Showmaker
L. Siewers
M. Sindelar
S. Sindelar



T. Sindelar
J. Baratta
P. Smith
R. Smith
D. Stambaugh
E. Steyskal
S. Struthers



R. Stuehm
D. Svahn
S. Tadlock
S. TeKrony
C. Tompkins
D. Thompson
R. Tubbs



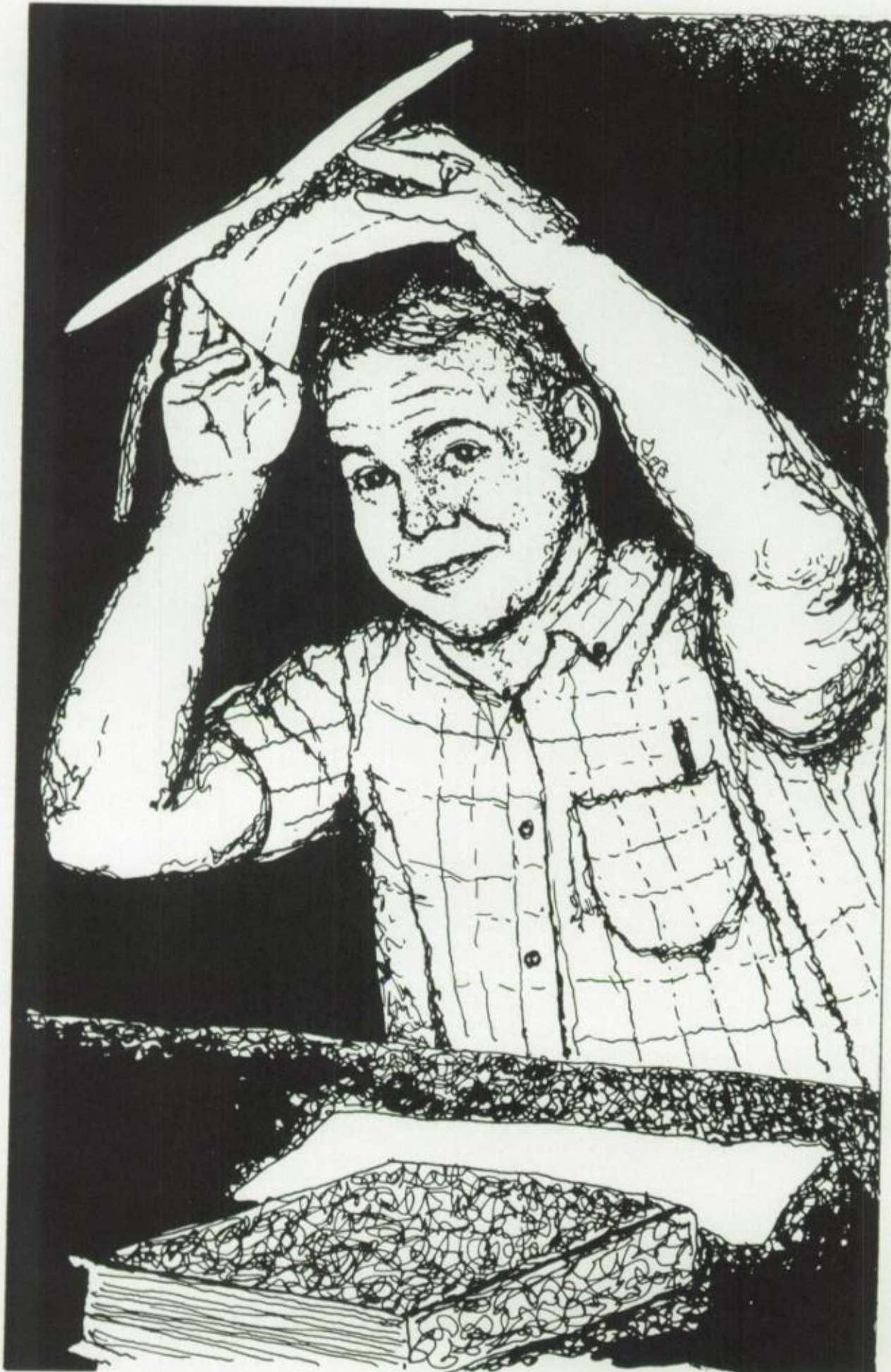
J. Walker
L. Waschinek
M. Webb
D. Welsh
T. West
J. C. Wheeler
C. White



P. Wilkening
D. Williams
K. Wind
R. Wolverton
A. Woster
D. Yearsley
S. Zagozda



T. Ziemba



SENIORS





Wayne Michael Antonson

Dennis Leon Arfmann



Seniors Reach the



Marilyn Kay Anderson
Jacqueline Rae Armstrong
Thomas Edward Bade
Louis Joseph Barone, Jr.

Bonnie Lee Bancroft
Hollis Earl Bartz

Karen Kathleen Baratta
Diane Bazis



Cynthia Sue Betzer



Mary LaVaun Birch



Barbara Kay Bolte
Craig Lawrence Bombere
James Leon Bookwalter
Gretchen Reu Borsheim

Mountain Top

"Never measure the height of a mountain until you have reached the top. Then you will see how low it was." This proclamation was made by the late UN Secretary — General Dag Hammarskjold.

Selecting this quote as their class motto, the class of 1969 also chose the "Sounds of Silence" as the official song of the class that was presided over by Mick Antonson.

Gold and green were chosen by the class of 154 members for the class colors, and the yellow rose was selected as the class flower.

Other class officers who helped Mick were Vice-President Susan Ustahol, Secretary Jean Cochrane and Treasurer Mike Freel.

Class sponsors who supervised the several class projects were Mrs. Ruth Borsheim, Mrs. Pam Jepsen and Mr. James Reiff.

The seniors' first class project was constructing the class Homecoming float which won the class its second first-place award in two years.

"Squash 'Em" was the title of the float with movable parts, and the class received \$25.

Raising money for the school annual by selling World Famous chocolate-covered almonds was the main money-raising project undertaken by the seniors throughout the school year.

Almost \$500 was made with the sales of the candy by the class which was divided into twelve teams of girls and twelve teams of boys, each with a captain chosen by class officers and sponsors.

Captains were Marilyn Anderson, Diane Bazis, Jan Geiler, Cathy Houston, Ann Jackson, Deb Olson, Carol Tompkins, Sue Ustahol and Vickie Weix.

Others were Alan Brodbeck, John Fackler, Mike Freel, Dave Fry, Tim Goede, Rog Phelps, Dave Way, Dan Wells and Paul Ziemba.



Freshman Tom Dyer hands a dollar to Senior Virginia Gabriel in exchange for a box of World Famous Chocolate Almonds during the annual senior candy drive.



James Joseph Bosco
Linda Kathryn Breci

Theresa Josephine Bozak
Timothy Leonard Brendle



Striving to serve the class of '69 are Vice-President Susan Ustohol, Treasurer Mike Freel, President Mick Antonson and Secretary Jean Cochrane.

Three Class Sponsors



Dalene Leota Brinson

Cynthia Jo Brittell



Alan Lee Brodbeck
Barbara Jean Chamberlain

Shirley Ann Bush
Starla Kae Chandler

Help Seniors Plan



Richard James Christiansen



Bernice Jean Cochrane



Senior pep band members Steve Forbes and Bruce Mehlihop play their basses as they sit on the new gym bleachers and present a home game's half time entertainment.



Mrs. Pam Jepsen, Mr. James Reiff and Mrs. Ruth Borsh-eim, senior class sponsors, relax in the library and ponder what the seniors are going to do next.



Bradley Paul Cottingham
Dale Allan Curtis
Jimette Ann Elliott
Stephen James Forbes

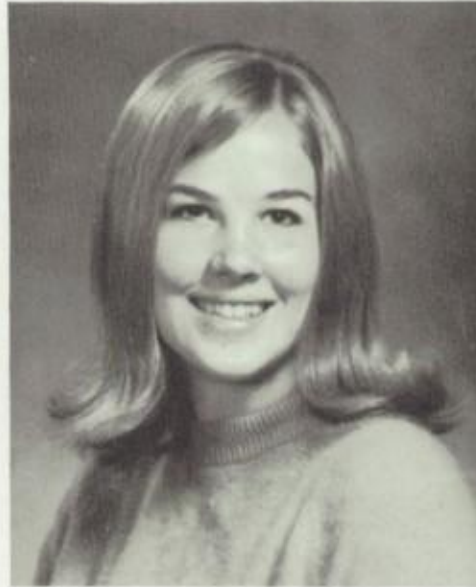
Terrence Lee Couch
Marlene Kay Dennis
John Warren Fackler
Michael Wayne Freel

Jewell Rae Cummings
Julie Anne Dyer
Alice Claire Finnell
David Kent Fry

Candy Sale Helps Ram Annual Staff



Virginia Marie Gabriel
Rhoda Gadsden
Timothy Lee Goede
Judith Ann Gulliver



Janice Elaine Geiler
Steven Grabowski
James Allan Hamilton



Daniel Paul Gillpatrick
Karen Jane Grote
Roger Dale Hansen



Vivian Blanche Hastings
Mark Leo Heavrin

Spirited Seniors

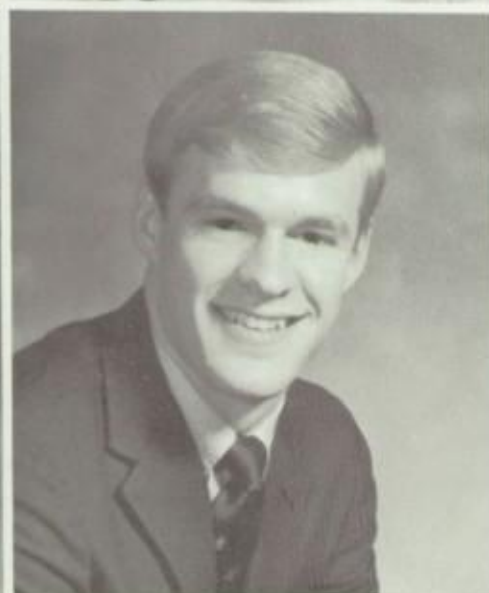


Jim McCaw, Jason Wyscarver and Tim Goede, senior intermural basketball stars, jump high together to stuff the ball into the basket and score two points.

Gail LuAnne Hegarty
Catherine Jo Houston
Ann Christine Jackson

Richard James Hopkins
Patricia Jane Hurst
Rita Jean Johnson

Back Athletics



Curtis Lee Karstens
Gary Michael Kratina
Douglas Vernon Krenz

Teresa Ann Kircher
Mark Douglas Kratina
Delina Del Kurtz



Craig Scott Johnstone
Kathryn Ann Kiser



Enthusiastic Senior Pep Club members show that they back the varsity basketball squad during one of the home games on the new court by cheering loudly.

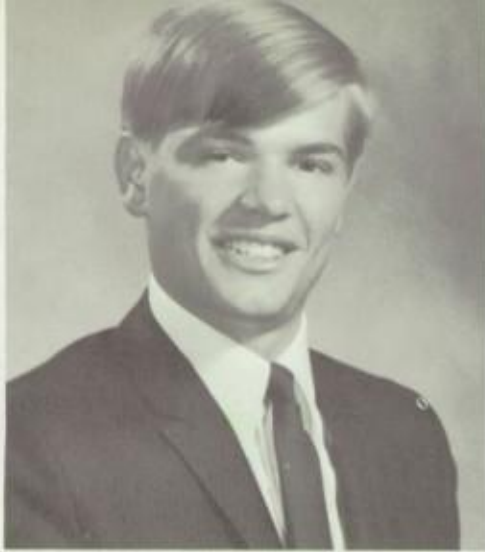
Senior Class Works With 154 Members



Andrea Kay Larkins
Diane Jean Lee
Judy Alice Matsen

Scott James Larrabee
Linda Kay Lozier
Judy Carol McCall

Sandra Louise Lamb
Paul Drew Larson
Sharon Lee Marolf
James Edward McCaw



Michael Dennis McLaughlin
Bert Eugene McMahill
Robin Lee McNutt
Bruce Henry Mehlhop

Reunion Planned For Class of '69

Attempting to secure money for the '69 annual, seniors hosted Bermuda Day and the Senior Baby Picture Contest. The seniors chosen as winners in the Baby Picture Contest were Vicki Weix, Andy Larkins and Mick Antonson.

May 21, marked Bermuda Day at Ralston High school. According to Mrs. Pamela Jepsen, American Problems teacher and senior class sponsor, the senior class sold more Bermuda Day tickets than any other senior class previously.

For their last project of the year, the seniors industriously worked on their final masterpiece, "The Senior Book." This book contained senior wills and prophecies, the best of '69, senior songs and poetry written by the seniors.

Seniors Sara Peters and Sandy Lamb received National Merit Scholarship finalist awards. They both were Nu Regents scholarship finalists.

WORLD-HERALD scholarships were given to outstanding Seniors John Fackler and Susan Ustohal. These were the first Ralston High recipients.

The binds which held the senior class together did not break after graduation as the class planned a reunion July 5, 1970, at Elmwood Park.



Kathleen Susan Moore



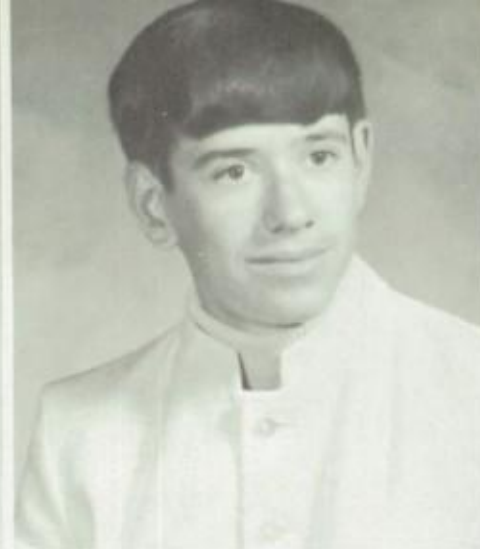
Kevin Paul Moran



Senior Jim Hamilton listens intently in Mrs. Pam Jepsen's Civics class which is one of the required senior courses besides an English course.



Jeffrey Lee Morris



Gerald Francis Morrissey

Fine Arts Prove to be



Linda Sue Murray
Joseph Timothy O'Connor



Kenneth Allen Nebe
Margaret Marie Olmstead



Bruce Eldon Nevius
Deborah Kae Olson

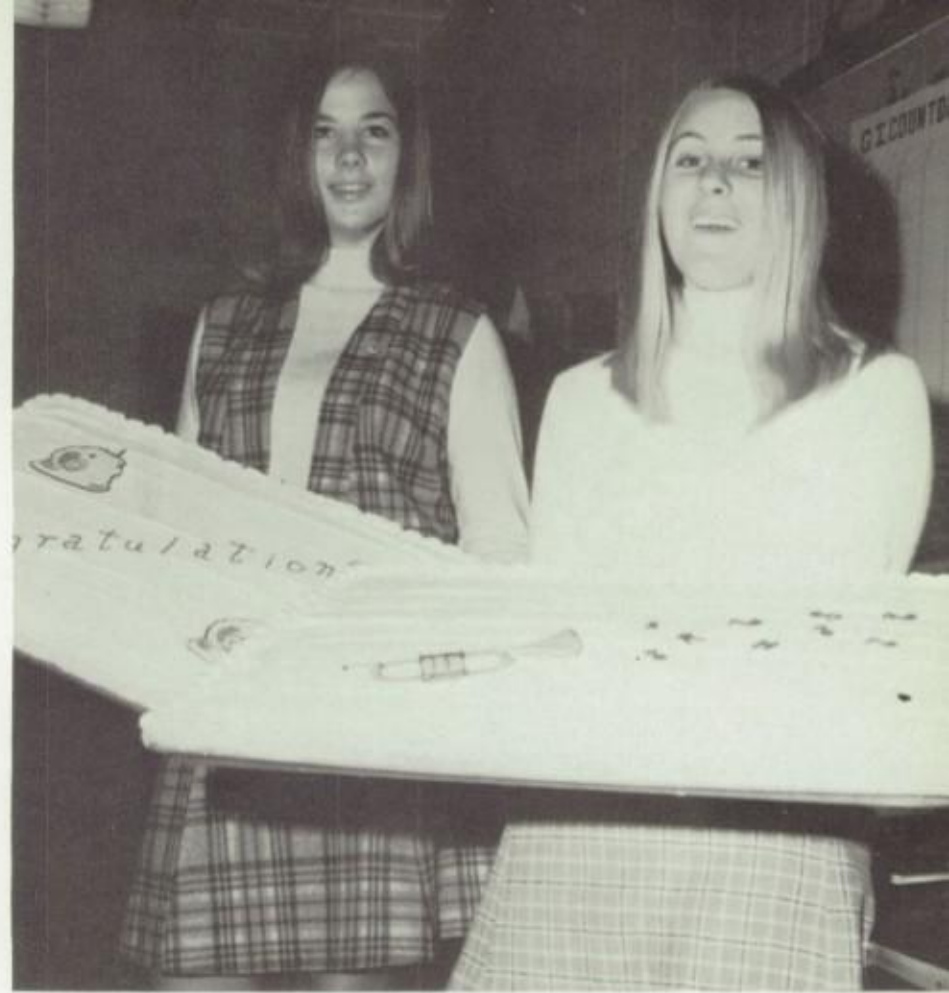


Sara Beth Peters



Vicki Sue Petersen

Interesting, Valuable



Band Vice-President Janice Geiler and Band President Ann Jackson display the band's victory cakes after their successful trip to Grand Island.



Barbara Jo Peterson
Linda Katherine Ray

Douglas Alan Phelps
Janet Irene Reandeu



Roger Thomas Phelps
Suzanne Adele Reeves



Rodney Marc Romanick
Barbara Ann Sedlak



Seniors Enjoy

Using the library's staircase during a study hall are Seniors Tim Brendle, Rog Phelps and Gary Morrissey.



Bobby Glenn Rhine
Peggy Jean Royer
Robin Rae Sievers
Beatrice Kay Staker

Doris Marie Roberts
Sandra Kay Schmid
Cheryl Ann Sindelar
Jane Marie Stanley





Lynn Marie Struthers
Lawrence Randall Taylor

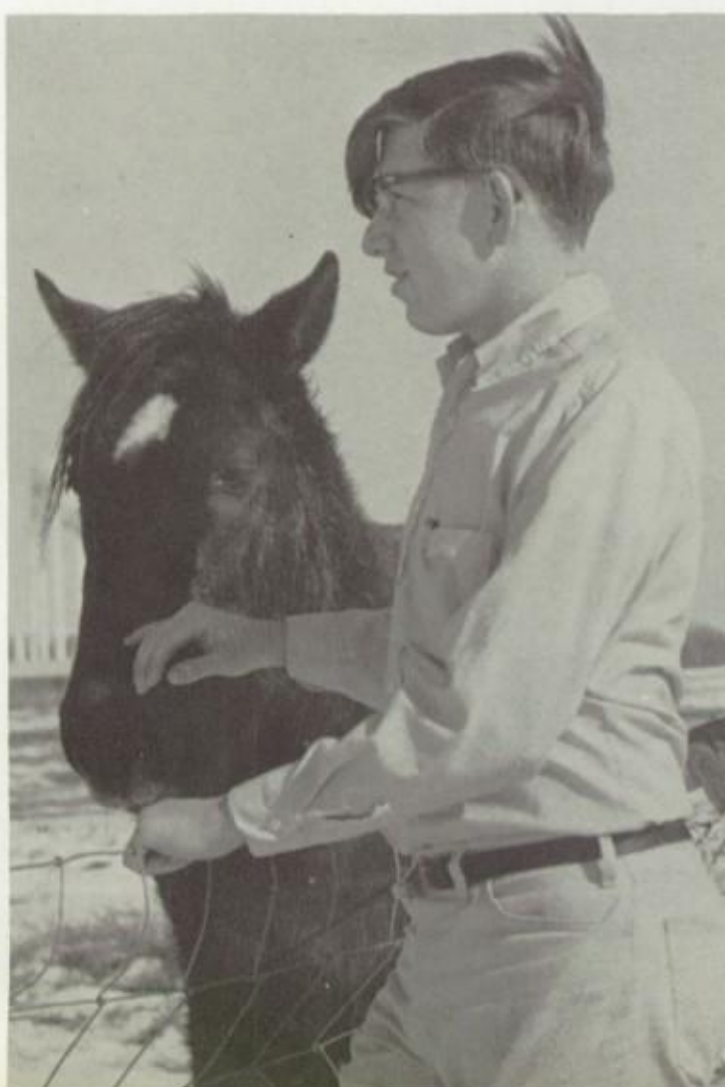


Connie Marie Sundquist
Landis Kent Thompson
Susan Lynn Ustohal
Jarel Gene Vinduska

Victoria Janice Szatko
Carol Jo Tompkins
John Vincent Vaughan
Richard Eugene Ward

Spare Time

Senior Ray Dunkle gets a close look at one of the horses which he usually views through the library window.





David Ladd Way
Victoria Anne Weix

Largest Senior Class

The final step was taken June 3, 1969, by 147 seniors at the commencement exercise of graduation in the nearly-packed gymnasium of 1,700.

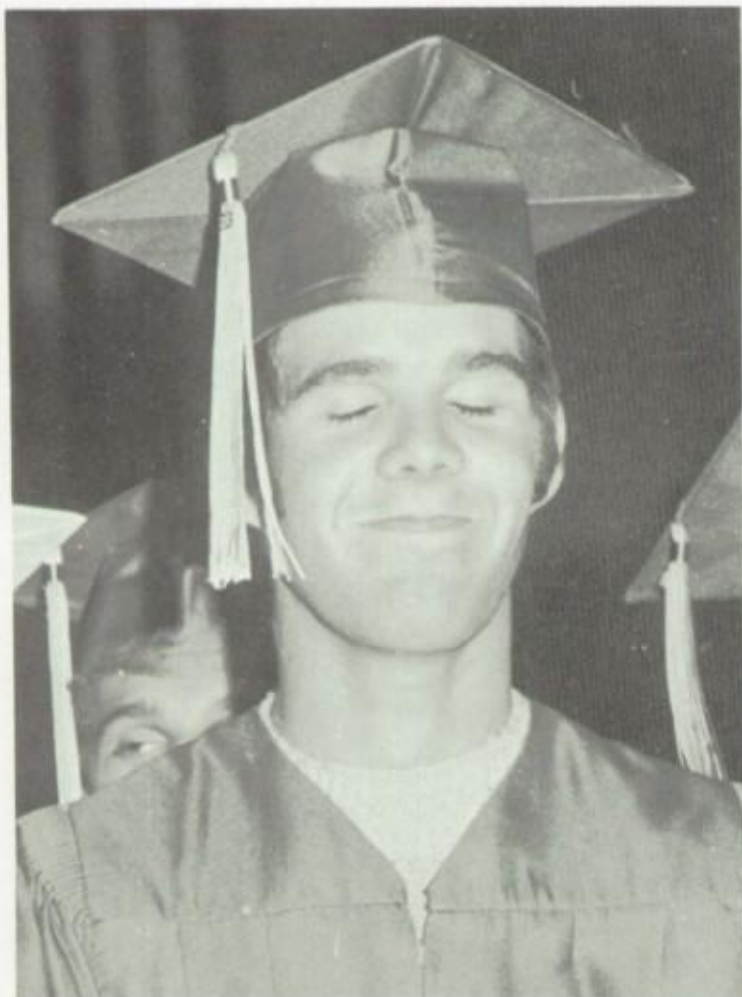
All seniors then received their diplomas and congratulations after having attended the baccalaureate service in the gymnasium June 1.

At the baccalaureate service, Reverends William Goede, John Fritzmeier and Robert Folkers all participated by providing a sermon, giving the invocation and benediction and reading scriptures.

At the commencement exercise, Honor Students Sandy Lamb and Sara Peters gave the traditional senior addresses, and Class President Mick Antonson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner."

Charles Larson, acting superintendent of schools, gave a speech entitled "To the Class of 1969," and Counselors Ken Bentley and William Ruff awarded more than 20 seniors scholarships to help the students to continue their education.

Ralston's High School Band played several selections beside the processional and recessional at the commencement exercise while the mixed chorus sang at the baccalaureate service.



Senior Scott Larabee seems happy as he proudly wears his mortar board during baccalaureate practice. All senior boys wear their hats during practices for the graduation and baccalaureate exercises.



Daniel Lee Wells



Charles David Wendt

Graduates in New Gym

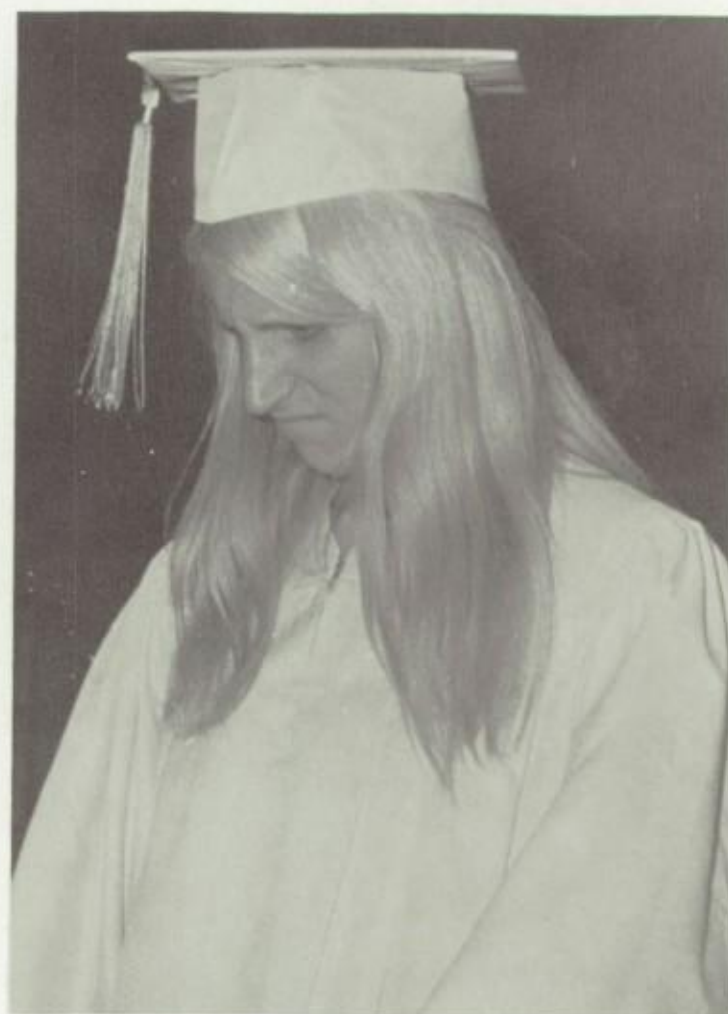


Dennis Allen White
Beverly Marie Woods
Jason Lee Wycarver

Linda Sue Willers
Helen Regina Wurthmann
Shirley LaVon Yarbrough



Sterling Lee West
Deborah Kay Wood



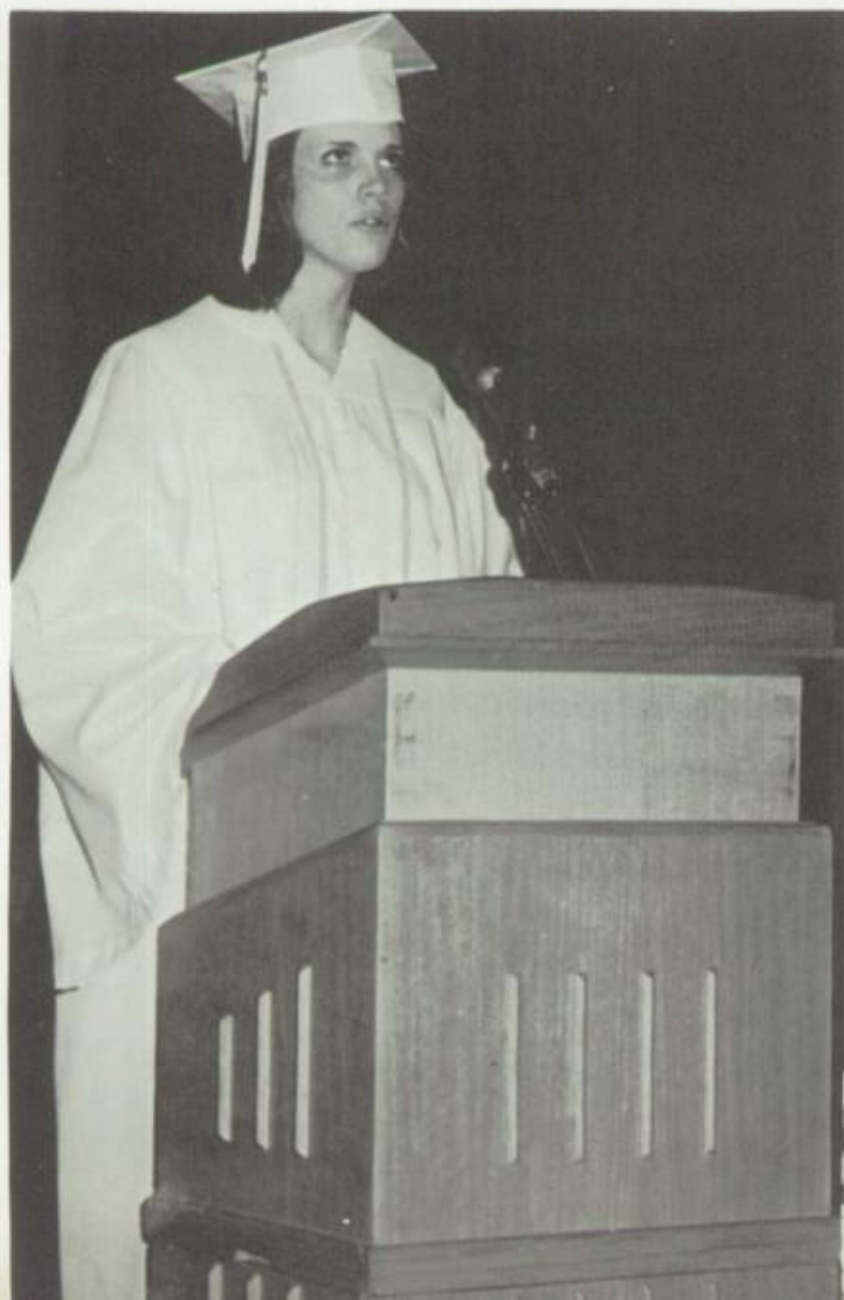
Senior Barb Bolte contemplates what her future will hold after graduation as she prepares to take her final walk to "Pomp and Circumstance."

First Class Graduates from New School

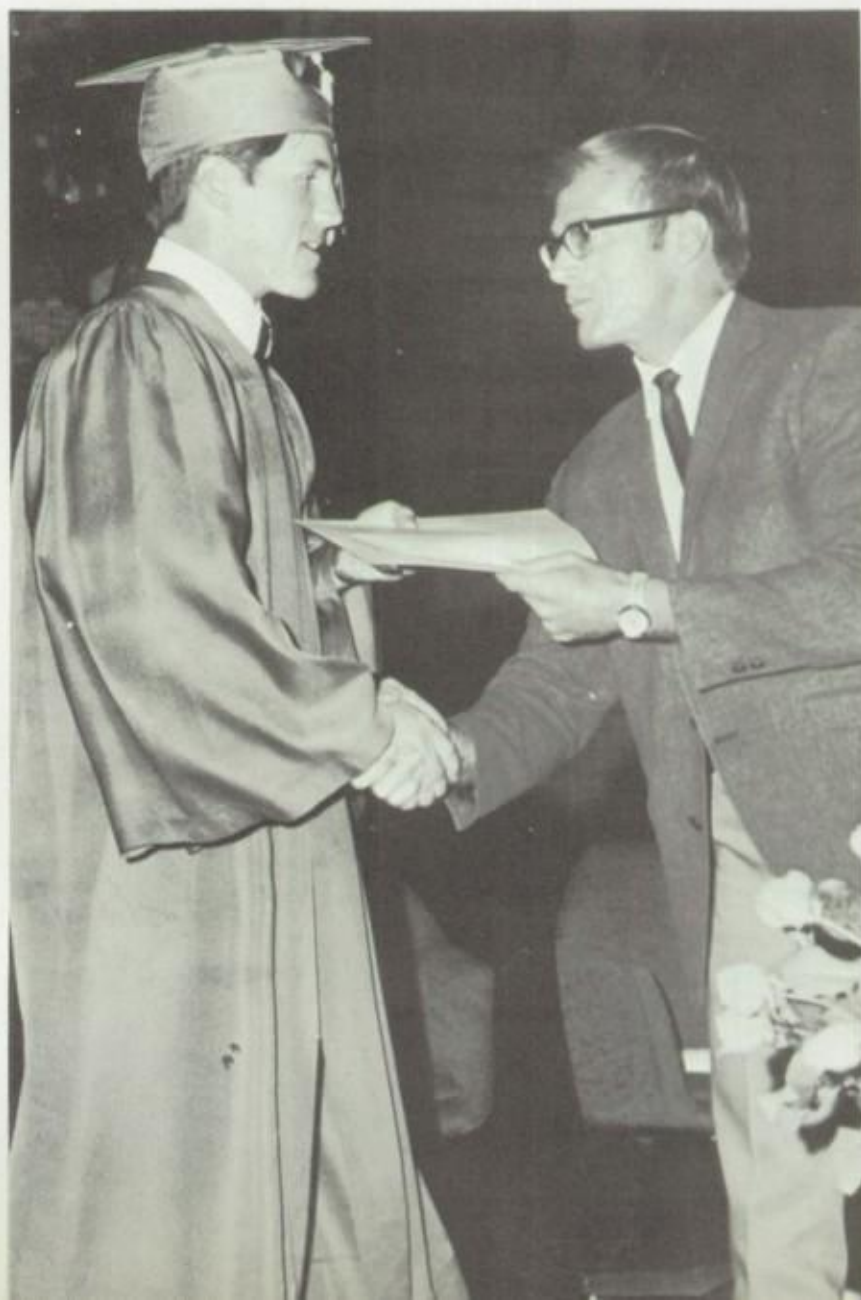
Junior Karen Geiler leads the first class to graduate from Park Drive.



Sara Peters, honor student, speaks about seniors final thoughts.



Counselor Ruf presents one of the scholarships to Mark Heavrin.



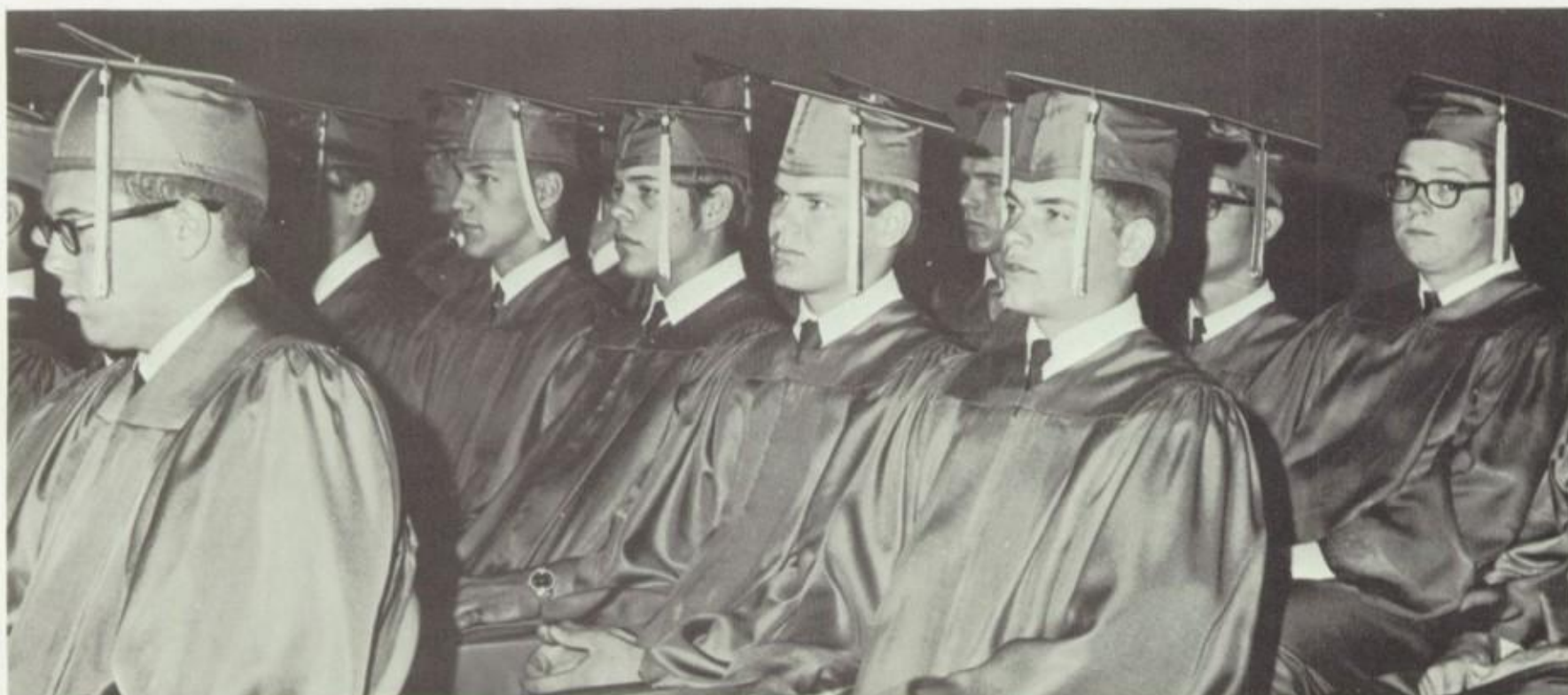


Holding yellow roses and diplomas, senior girls are now graduates.



Speakers and administrators listen to graduating senior speeches.

Expression show mixed feelings during graduation ceremony. For some, it is the end of formal education, others just a stepping stone.



Senior Statistics

ANDERSON, MARILYN AFS 1,2,3; Pep Club 2,3; Speech and Drama 1,2; CARNIVAL 2; NU Regents Alternate 3; scholastic letter.

ANTONSON, WAYNE FCA 3; NHS 2,3; pres. 3; Quiz Bowl Team 3; RYC 1,2,3; Exec. Council 1,3; Football 1,2*,3*; Swimming 3*; Diving school record 3, captain 3; Track 1*,2*,3*: 100-yd. dash, high jump, triple jump, 880-yd. relay school records; "R" Club 1,2,3; Intramurals 1,3; Chorus 1,2,3; CARNIVAL 2; class pres. 3; NU Regents Alternate 3; Boys' State alternate 2; Prom king cand. 3; Senior Baby-Picture Contest winner; scholastic letter.

ARFMANN, DENNIS AFS 1,2,3; FCA 3; sec. 3; RYC 1,2,3; Cross-Country 1; Basketball 1,2,3; Golf 1; County Govt. Rep. 2.

ARMSTRONG, JACQUELINE RYC 1,2,3; Tri-Hi-Y 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 2,3.

BADE, THOMAS Wrestling 1; Baseball 2; Intramurals 1,3.

BANCROFT, BONNIE AFS 1; RYC 1,2,3; sec. 2; Exec. Council 3; TAR 3; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; sec. 3; Exec. Council 3; Band 1,2,3; treas. 3, clarinet quartet 2, instrumental acc. 2; Chorus 1,2,3; Swing Choir 2,3; Speech and Drama 1; CARNIVAL 2; vocal acc. 1,2,3; class sec. 1; class v-pres. 2; Homecoming queen 3.

BANKS, MICHAEL Trans. from Spearman High, Spearman, Tex. 3. Spanish Club 2; Golf 2; Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 3, soloist 1.

BARATTA, KAREN FHA 1; Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow 3; Pep Club 1,2.

BARONE, LOUIS FCA 3; Football 1,2,3*; Baseball 2; Intramurals 1,2; "R" Club 3.

BARTZ, HOLLIS Football 2,3; Wrestling 2; Intramurals 1,2,3.

BAZIS, DIANE Pep Club 1,2,3; Sgt. at Arms 3; Exec. Council 3.

BECWAR, MARK Wrestling 1,2; Intramurals 1,2.

BETZER, CYNTHIA FHA 1; RYC 1,2,3; Tri-Hi-Y 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 2,3.

BIRCH, LaVAUN FHA 1; Pep Club 1,2.

BOLTE, BARB Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 3.

BOMBERE, CRAIG RYC 2,3; Weightlifting 3.

BOOKWALTER, JAMES Trans. from Omaha Tech. 3.

BORSHEIM, GRETCHEN AFS 1,2,3; Semifinalist for exchange program; NHS 2,3; RYC 1,2,3; Ski Club 2,3; Band 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3; triple trio 1*,2*,3*; Girls' Glee 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; One-Act Play 3*: Melodrama 3; Christmas play 1: "YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU" 1; CARNIVAL 2; Girls State 2; Ramoires Editor 3.

BOSCO, JAMES Football 1; Baseball 1; Intramurals 1,3.

BOZAK, THERESA RYC 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; Melodrama 3; Stu. dir., Inter p. of Drama 3*, One-Act Play 3; Stu. dir., Best All-Around Member 3.

BRECI, LINDA Library Club 1,2,3; sec.-treas. 2.

BRENDLE, TIMOTHY RYC 1; Track 1; Intramurals 1; Speech and Drama 1.

BRET, JOHN Intramurals 1,2,3.

BRIMMER, MICHAEL "R" Club 1,2,3; Wrestling 1*,2*,3*; 3rd District 1, 1st N.C. Invitational 2, 3rd Ak-Sar-Ben 2, 1st Fremont Invitational 3, 1st District 3, 2nd Ak-Sar-Ben 3, Most Pins at Fremont 3, Captain 3.

BRINSON, DALENE FHA 1,2; Miss A 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 3.

BRITELL, CYNTHIA Pep Club 1.

BRODBECK, ALAN AFS 1,2,3; v-pres. 3; NHS 3; TAR 3; county rep. 3; Cross-Country 1; Intramurals 1,2; Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 2,3, brass sextet 3*; Chorus 1,2,3; all-state 2,3, Swing Choir 1,2,3; CARNIVAL 2; NU Regents Alternate 3.

BUSH, SHIRLEY FHA 1; Pep Club 1,2.

CHAMBERLAIN, BARB FTA 1,2,3; NHS 2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 2; Chorus 2,3; Girls' Glee 2,3, triple trio 2; CARNIVAL 2; County Govt. Rep. 2.

CHANDLER, STARLA FTA 2; Pep Club 1,2; Drill Team 2: co-captain 2; Chorus 1,2,3; triple trio 1,2, Girls' Glee 1,2; CARNIVAL publicity chairman 2; Speech and Drama 2,3.

CHRISTIANSEN, RICHARD Trans. from Trinity Prep, Sioux City, Ia. 2. Photography Club 1; pres. 1; Swing Choir 1; French Club 2; pres. 2.

COCHRANE, JEAN NHS 3; RYC 1,2; Tri-Hi-Y 1,2,3; treas. 3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Cheerleader-Varsity 2,3, Reserve 1; Homecoming queen cand. 3; Prom queen cand. 3; class sec. 3; Brandeis High School Fashion Board 2,3.

COTTINGTON, BRAD Trans. from Abraham Lincoln, Council Bluffs, Ia. 3. Honor Lynx 1,2; Football 1*,2*,3*; Wrestling 1*,2*,3*; Baseball 1,2*; Intramurals 1; FCA 3; "R" Club 3; RAM TALES 3; RAM staff 3; ECHOES 2; CRIMSON AND BLUE staff 2.

COUCH, TERRY ART 1,2,3; dietitian 2,3; Ski Club 3; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; Melodrama 3, one-act 2; CARNIVAL 2.

CUMMINGS, JEWELL NHS 3; RYC 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; Band 1; Speech and Drama 2; CARNIVAL 2; Honorable Mention at Edison Exposure Film Festival 3.

CURTIS, DALE Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2, section leader 2, soloist 1*; saxophone quintet 2; CARNIVAL 2.

DALY, ANTHONY

DENNIS, MARLENE FHA 3; Pep Club 1,2,3.

DUNKLE, RAY Intramurals 1,2.

DYER, JULIE FHA 1,2; Pep Club 1,2.

EDWARDS, TERRI Trans. from Grand Island High 3. Music Masters 1,2; Girls' Glee 1; Singers 2.

ELLIOT, JIMETTE Trans. from Omaha Central 2. ART 3; FHA 2,3.

FACKLER, JOHN AFS 3; ART 1,2,3; rep. 1,2,3; NHS 2,3; RYC 1,2,3; Stu-Co 1,2,3; pres. 3; Cross-Country 1,2; Track 1; Chorus 1; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; Melodrama 3, Best Actor 3, Poetry 3, Interp. of Drama 3*, "YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU" 1; RAM TALES 2,3; cartoonist 2,3, RAM staff 2,3; Editor 3; Quill and Scroll 2,3; Brandeis Cert. of Merit in Art 3; Art Gold Key Award 3; Hallmark Art Award 3; Four Cert. of Ach. in Art 3; Nat. H.S. Poetry Award 3; Fed. of Women's Club Art Awards: 3rd and 1st in state; KOIL paint-in 2; Art Gold Medal Winner 3; WORLD-HERALD Scholarship 3; scholastic letter.

FINKE, GARY

FINNELL, ALICE FHA 1,2,3; parliamentarian 2, news rep. 3, Dist. 3, Degree Chairman 2; Tri-Hi-Y 2; Pep Club 1,2,3; French Club 2; Band 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3; triple trio 2, Swing Choir 3, Girls' Glee 1,2,3; CARNIVAL 2; scholastic letter.

FLEMING, DENNIS

FORBES, STEVE RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 2,3; Stu-Co 3; treas. 3; Cross-Country 1,2*,3*: Outstanding Cross-Country award 3; Track 1,2*,3*, Intramurals 2; Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 2,3, soloist 3*, tuba trio 2*,3*, brass sextet 3*; Chorus 1,2,3; treas. 3, Swing Choir 1,2,3, barbership quartet 1; CARNIVAL 2; Mr. Ram 2; Prom king cand. 3.

FREEL, MIKE FCA 3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Co-Pres. 3; Football 1*,2*,3*; Track 1,2; Intramurals 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3; class treas. 3.

FRY, DAVE AFS 1,2,3; rep. to adult group 3; NHS 2,3; RYC 1, "R" Club 1,2,3; Stu-Co 1; TAR 3; Douglas County Co-Chairman 3; Cross-Country 1; Wrestling 1,2; Track 1*: student manager 1; Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2, Brass Choir 1, Soloist 1*, brass sextet 2,

Graduate Karen Baratta tries her hat on for size before graduation practice.



tuba trio 2*,3*; Swing Choir 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 3*; CARNIVAL 2; Class treas. 2; NMS letter of commendation 3; RAM TALES photographer 1; RHS winner of National Math Contest 3; 2nd place 2; scholastic letter.

GABRIEL, VIRGINIA FHA 1,2,3: rep. 2. v-pres. 3; FTA 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; Miss RHS cand. 2.

GADSDEN RHODA Trans. from Omaha tech 2. International Friendship Club 1,2; FTA 2, sec. 2; Drill Team 2.

GEILER, JANICE AFS 1,2: sec. 2; ART 1; NHS 2,3: sec. 3; RYC 2; Ski Club 2; TAR 3: sec. 3; Tri Hi-Y 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3: captain 3; Band 1,2,3: sec. 2, v-pres. 3, section leader 1, woodwind quintette 1, saxophone quintet 2, clarinet quartet 2*,3; Chorus 1,2,3: section leader 3, soloist 1*,2*,3*, Nebraska Honor Choir 3, all-state 3, Swing Choir 2,3, Girls' Glee 1,3: section leader 3, triple trio 1; Speech and Drama 1,2; CARNIVAL 2; class v-pres. 1; class sec. 2; NU Regents Alternate 3; Girls' State alternate 2; RAM TALES 2,3; Editor 3; UN-O Feature Honorable Mention 2; RAM staff 2,3; Quill and Scroll 2,3; Outstanding Vocalist 3.

GILLPATRICK, DAN Wrestling 1,2; Intramurals 1; Band 1,2,3: Pep Band 1,2,3, Dixieland Band 2; CARNIVAL 2.

GOEDE, TIM FCA 3: Bulletin chairman 3; FTA 3; RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Wrestling 1*,2*,3*; Intramurals 3; Chorus 1,2: Boys' Octet 1*; CARNIVAL 2.

GRABOWSKI, STEVE "R" Club 3; Wrestling 3*; Intramurals 1,2,3: High scorer 3; Prom king 3; RAM TALES 2,3: Editor 3; RAM staff 2,3; Quill and Scroll 2,3.

GROTE, KAREN Pep Club 2,3.

GULLIVER, JUDY NHS 2,3; RYC 1,2,3: his. 3; Ski Club 2; Stu-Co 1,2,3: v-pres. 2, Exec. Council 3; Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3: v-pres. 2, pres. 3; Pep Club 1,2,3: captain 1, Exec. Council 2; Band 1,2,3: treas. 2, sec. 3, clarinet quartet 2*,3, dixieland band 2; Chorus 1,2,3: section leader 3, Swing Choir 2,3, all-state 2; Girls' Glee 1,3: section leader 3, triple trio 1*; CARNIVAL 2; Girls' State RAM TALES 2,3; RAM staff 2,3: Editor 3; scholastic letter; OMAHA WORLD-HERALD Teen of the Week; Quill and Scroll 2,3.

HAMILTON, JAMES

HANSEN, ROGER Wrestling 2; Golf 3; Intramurals 1,2,3.

HEAVRIN, MARK "R" Club 1,2,3; Football 1,2*,3*: All-Conference 3; Wrestling 1*,2*,3*; Baseball 1*; Intramurals 1,2,3.

HEGARTY, GAIL Tri Hi-Y 3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 2,3: captain 3; Outstanding Drill Team member 3, Exec. Council 3; Prom queen cand. 3.

HOLCOMB, JOHN "R" Club 1,2,3; Basketball 1; Track 1*,2*,3* high-jump school record 3.

HOPKINS, RICH Trans. from Lincoln Northeast 2. FCA 3; "R" Club 2,3; Football 1,2*,3*: All-Conference 3; Basketball 1,2,3*.

HOUSTON, CATHY AFS 3; RYC 1,2,3; Ski Club 2,3; Stu-Co 1; Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3: Cheerleader-varsity 2,3, reserve 1, Outstanding cheerleader 3; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; CARNIVAL 2; One Act Play 3*.

HURST, PAT Trans. from Lincoln High 1. RYC 1; Ski Club 2; Pep Club 1,2; French Club 2: sec. 2; Girls' Glee 1,2; RAM TALES 2,

3; RAM staff 2,3.

JACKSON, ANN RYC 1; Ski Club 2; TAR 3; Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3: sec. 3; Pep Club 1,2,3: captain 1, v-pres. 2, Exec. Council 3; Band 1,2,3: soloist 1*,2*,3*, sec. 1, v-pres. 2, pres. 3, all-state 2, woodwind quintet 3*, brass sextet 3*, horn quartet 3*, brass quintet 2*, Joyce Johnson Award 3; CARNIVAL 2; Chorus 1,2,3: triple trio 1*, Girls' Glee 1,2,3: sec. 3; RAM TALES 3; RAM staff 3; Quill and Scroll, 3.

JEFFREY, JOAN FHA 1,2,3: parliamentarian 1, sec. 2, pres. 3; Pep Club 1,2.

JOHNSON, RITA Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 2,3.

JOHNSTONE, SCOTT "R" Club 1,2,3; Football 1,2*,3*: All-Conference 3; Wrestling 1*,2*,3*: North High Inv. champion 1, 3rd in district 1, All-Conference champion 2, N.C. Inv. champion 2, Fremont Inv. champion 3, L.C. Inv. 3rd place 3, 2nd in conference 3; Track 1; Intramurals 1,2,3.

KARSTENS, CURT Wrestling 1,2; Swimming 3; Golf 1; Intramurals 1.

KIRCHER, TERESA Tri Hi-Y 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 2,3; scholastic letter.

KISER, KATHY Trans. from Papillion High 2. FHA 2; Tri Hi-Y 2; Pep Club 1,2; Drill Team 1: captain 1; CARNIVAL 2; RAM TALES 2; RAM staff 2.

KRATINA, GARY FCA 3: co-captain 3; FTA 3; RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 2,; Football 2*,3*: All-conference 3, Co-captain 3; Cross-Country 1; Basketball 1,2*,3*: Honorable Mention All-Conference 3, Outstanding Basketball award 2, co-captain 3, Cage Classic All-Star 3, Tie school record for most rebounds in one game; Track 3; Homecoming king cand. 3; Prom king cand. 3; RAM TALES 3; RAM staff 3; County Gvt. Rep. 2.

KRATINA, MARK FCA 3: captain 3; RYC 1,2,3: treas. 3; "R" Club 1,2,3: pres. 3; Football 1*,2*,3*; Basketball 1*,2*,3*: All-Conference 3, co-captain 3, Tie school record for most rebounds in one game, Cage Classic All-Star 3; Track 1*,3*; Class pres. 2; Homecoming king cand. 3; Prom king cand. 3.

KRENZ, DOUG FCA 3; NHS 3; RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 1,2,3: sec-treas. 3; Football 1*,2*,3*: All-Conference 3, co-captain 3, Shrine Bowl 3, Outstanding player award 3; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1*,2*,3*: Outstanding player award 2; Intramurals 3; scholastic letter.

LAMB, SANDY AFS 1,2,3; money-making chairman 3; FTA 1,2,3; NHS 2,3; RYC 1 Ski club 2,3: pres. 3; Stu-Co 2; Pep Club 1,2; Band 1,2,3: woodwind quintet 2,3*; CARNIVAL 2; NU Regents Scholarship 3, Nat. Merit Scholarship 3; Ramoires editor 3; Quiz Bowl team 3; Nat. Presbyterian Scholarship 3; scholastic letter; Honor Student 3.

LARABEE, SCOTT RYC 1,2,3; Ski club 3; Football 1,2; Wrestling 1; Track 1,3; Intramurals 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 3: lighting dir.; CARNIVAL 2.

LARKINS, ANDY ART 1; FTA 1,2,3: sec. 1; NHS 3; Ski Club 3: sec. 3; Stu-Co 2,3; Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3: treas. 3; Drill Team 3; Speech and Drama 3: treas. 3; Homecoming queen cand. 3.



School Board Member Burdette Swanson hands Steve Schulze his diploma.

LARSON, PAUL Trans. from Bellevue High 2. Football 1; Library Club 1; Gray Teen; CHAP 1.

LEE, DIANE Trans. from Naples, Fla. 2. FHA 2; RYC 2,3; Tri Hi-Y 2; Pep Club 1,2; Gymnastics 1; GAA 1; Intramurals 1.

LESLIE, DAVE "R" Club 2,3; Cross-Country 2*,3*; Basketball 2; Track 2*,3*L 1st in conf. 2,3, 880-yd. school record 3, state meet 3; Intramurals 1,3.

LOZIER, LINDA TAR 3; Tri-Hi-Y 1; Pep Club 1,2; Girls' Glee 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 1.

MARCLEY, HARRY Trans. from Omaha North High 3.

MAROLF, SHARON Pep Club 1,2; Band 1,2,3: woodwind quintet 3; Chorus 1,2,3; Girls' Glee 1,2,3: section leader, triple trio 2; CARNIVAL 2.

MATSEN, JUDY FTA 1,2,3; RYC 1,2,3; Stu-Co 2,3: sec. 3; Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3: clarinet quintet 2*,3; Cheerleader: Varsity 2,3, captain 3, reserve 1; Chorus 1,2,3: All-State 2,3, Swing Choir 1,2,3, soloist 3*, Outstanding vocalist 3; Girls' Glee 3; CARNIVAL 2; Prom queen; Homecoming queen cand. 3.

McCALL, JUDY Trans. from Red River High, Grand Forks, N.D. 3. AFS 3; FTA 1,2,3; Stu-Co 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; FIASH 1,2,3; FBLA 1,2; Bi-Chemistry Club 2,3; Office Assistance 1,2,3; French Club 1.

McCAW, JAMES FCA 3; "R" Club 2,3; Football 1,2,3*; Wrestling 1*,2*; Intramurals 1,2,3: captain, Championship team 3; CARNIVAL 2; RAM Award 3.

McLAUGHLIN, MICHAEL FCA 3; RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 2,3; Football 1,2*,3*; Basketball 1; Intramurals 2,3.

McMAHILL, BERT Intramurals 1; Band 1,2,3: section leader 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3; Swing Choir 1,2,3; CARNIVAL 2.

McNUTT, ROBIN AFS 1,2; RYC 1,2,3; Stu-Co 1,2,3; TAR 3; Pep Club 1,2,3: sec. 2, pres. 3, Outstanding Pep Club member 3; Tri Hi-Y 1: chaplain 1; Majorette 1,2,3; Chorus 3;

Girls' Glee 3; pres. 3; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; recorder 2, pres. 3; Melodrama 3; One-Act 1, Three-Act 1, "Best Production" 1; Homecoming queen cand. 3; Prom cand. 3; RAM TALES 3; RAM staff 3; Quill and Scroll 3; 3rd place UN-O "Best Feature Story", nomination for silver key in sports writing and editorial.

MEHLHOP, BRUCE 1,2,3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Football 1; Wrestling 2; Baseball student manager 1*,2*,3*; Band 1,2,3; brass sextet 2, bass horn trio 2*,3*, Pep Band 3; CARNIVAL 2.

MEISINGER, BRUCE.

MOORE, KATHY Pep Club 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 1.

MORAN, KEVIN NHS 2,3; RYC 1,2; TAR 3; Football 1; Cross-country 2; Wrestling 1; Track 1; Speech and Drama 2,3; melodrama actor and student director 3, one-act 2; NU Regents Alternate 3; NMS letter of commendation 3; scholastic letter 3.

MORRIS, JEFF RYC 1,2,3; Intramurals 2; Speech and Drama 3; melodrama lead 3.

MORRISSEY, GARY RYC 1,2; Ski Club 2; Intramurals 1.

MURRAY, LINDA Pep Club 1,2,3; Drill Team 3.

NEBE, AL Track 1; CARNIVAL 2.

NEVIOUS, BRUCE Trans. from Lexington, Ky. 1. NHS 3; RYC 1,2; Ski Club 2; TAR 3; Intramurals 3; scholastic letter.

O'CONNER, TIM Ski Club 2.

OLMSTEAD, MARGARET RYC 2; Pep Club 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3; brass sextet 3*; Girls' Glee 2,3.

OLSON, DEB ART 1; FTA 1,2; RYC 1,2,3; TAR 3, Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Sgt. at Arms 3, Exec. Council 1,3; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; Best Actress Award 1, One Act Play 1*, Interp. of Drama 2*; CARNIVAL 2; Band 1,2,3.

PETERS, SARA AFS 1,2,3; v-pres. 2, pres. 3; FTA 1,2; NHS 2,3; RYC 1,2,3; Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Band 1,2; brass choir 1, woodwind quintette 2; Speech and Drama 1,2,3; CARNIVAL 2; NU Regents Scholarship 3; Nat. Merit Scholarship finalist, semi-finalist; scholastic letter; Honor Student 3.

PETERSEN, VICKI Pep Club 2.

PETERSEN, BARB ART 1; RYC 1,2,3; Ex. bd. 2, sec. 3; Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3; treas. 2; Pep Club 1,2,3; ex. council, reserve cheerleader 2, varsity 3; Band 1,2,3; brass choir 1, brass sextet 2*,3*, trumpet trio 3*; Chorus 2,3; Girls' Glee 1,2,3, triple trio 2; CARNIVAL 2.

PETERSEN, VICKI Pep Club 2.

PHELPS, DOUGLAS RYC 1,2; Band 1,2,3; trumpet section leader 2, trombone section leader 3, student director 3, dixieland band 1*,2, brass sextet 3*, brass choir 2*, horn quartet 3*; Chorus 1,2,3; pres. 3, all-state 2,3, section leader 2, Ak-Sar-Ben Chorus 1,2, octet 1*, boys' quartet 1,2*,3*: Swing Choir 1,2,3, soloist 1,3*; Speech and Drama 3; light chairman; CARNIVAL 2.

PHELPS, ROGER RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 3; Ski Club 2,3; treas. 3; Cross-country 1,2; Swimming 3*: tri-captain 3; Intramurals 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 2,3; CARNIVAL 2; class pres. 1.

PLANTMORE, JOE Intramurals 1.

PROMES, JIM.

RAY, LINDA FTA 3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Library Club 2; KOIL School Rep. 3; KFAB Sports Editor 3; RAM TALES 2,3; RAM staff 2,3; business manager 3, yearbook layout sweepstakes' winner 2,3; Quill and Scroll 2,3.

REANDEAU, JANET AFS 1,3; FHA 2; FTA 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Girls' Glee 1.

REEVES, SUE Trans. from Westside High 3. FTA 1,2; FHA 1; Safe Teens 1,2; Pep Club 1; GAA 1,2; TAR 3; RAM TALES 3; RAM staff 3; Quill and Scroll 3.

RHINE, BOB Trans. from Berkeley High, Fairview, Mo. 3.

ROBERTS, DORIS Trans. from East High, Cheyenne, Wyo. 3.

ROMANICK, ROD Trans. from Hayden High, Topeka, Kansas 2. Tennis 1*; Football 1,2; Basketball 2; Intramurals 1,3; Band 1; Class treas. 1; FCA 3; treas. 3; RYC 2,3; Ski Club 3.

ROTHERMUND, LEOTA Trans. from Omaha South 2. Pep Club 1; Swimming 1,2.

ROYER, PEGGY FHA 3; RYC 1,2,3; TAR 3; Pep Club 1,2,3; co-sec. 3; Drill Team 2, Exec. Council 3; French Club 2; pres. 2.

SCHMID, SANDRA Trans. from Ankeny, Ia. 3. FTA 3; Pep Club 2,3; Drill Team 1; Chorus 1,2; GRA 1,2; Council 2; HCC 1,2; sec. 1, v-pres. 2; U.N. rep. 2; Outstanding Homemaking Award 1.

SEDLAK, BARBARA FHA 1,2; Pep Club 1,2.

SCHULZE, STEVE Trans. from Omaha South 3.

SIEVERS, ROBIN FHA 1, Pep Club 1.

SINDELAR, CHERIE RYC 3; Tri Hi-Y 3; Pep Club 2,3; Drill Team 3.

SMITH, JACK Basketball 1,2; Intramurals 1,2,3; captain 3.

STAKER, BEATRICE FHA 1; Pep Club 1,2.

STANLEY, JANE ART 1,2,3; treas. 1, v-pres. 2. v-pres. 3; FHA 1; Tri Hi-Y 1; Pep Club 1,2.

STRUTHERS, LYNN Pep Club 1,2,3; Library Club 2,3; pres. 2,3, cand. for pres. of Nebraska Library Assn.

SUNDQUIST, CONNIE AFS 1,2; FTA 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 1,2; CARNIVAL 2.

SZATKO, VICTORIA Pep Club 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 1.

TAYLOR, RANDY Chorus 1,2; CARNIVAL 2.

THOMPSON, LANDIS Trans. from Plattview High 2. FCA 3; RYC 2,3; Football 1,2; Wrestling 2; Track 1; Intramurals 2,3.

TOMPKINS, CAROL FTA 1,2,3; v-pres. 2, pres. 3; NHS 3, Tri Hi-Y 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; captain 2,3, Exec. Council 2,3, Drill Team 3; lieut. 3; Band 1.

USTOHAL, SUE FHA 2; FTA 1,2,3; sec. 3; NHS 2,3; treas. 3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Exec. Council 3; Band 1,2,3; clarinet quartet 3, mixed clarinet quartet 2; class v-pres. 3; WORLD-HERALD Scholarship 3; scholastic letter.

VAUGHAN, JOHN RYC 1,2; "R" Club 3; TAR 3; Swimming 3*: captain 3, school record holder in 50-and 100-yd. free, 400-yd.

free relay, 200-yd. medley relay; Chorus 1,2,3; all-state 2, Swing Choir 1,2,3, boys' quartet 1,2*,3*, boys' octet 1*, soloist 3*, Outstanding Vocalist 3; CARNIVAL (lead) 2.

VINDUSKA, JAREL Wrestling 1; Woodworking Award 2.

WARD, RICH NHS 2,3; Ski Club 2; Cross-Country 1,2; Golf 1,2,3; UN-O Scholarship; scholastic letter.

WAY, DAVE FCA 3; NHS 2,3; treas. 2, v-pres. 3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Stu-Co 2; Football 1*,2*,3*: All-Conference 3; Basketball 1*,2*,3*; Track 1*,2*,3*; Boys' State 2; Homecoming king cand. 3; scholastic letter.

WEIX, VICKI Trans. from Shawnee Mission West High, Shawnee Mission, Kansas 2. AFS 1; ART 1,2; FTA 2; Stu-Co 1,2; TAR 1,2; Exec. Council 2; Tri Hi-Y 3; Pep Club 1,2; Chorus 1; Girls' Glee 3; Speech and Drama 2,3; Best Director 3, "The Miracle Worker" 3, Melodrama student director 3, Interp. of Drama 3*; RAM TALES 2,3; RAM staff 2,3; Quill and Scroll 3; Senior-Picture Contest winner.

WELLS, DAN Trans. from Lincoln Northeast 2. ART 2,3; treas. 2, pres. 3; RYC 2,3; Swimming 1; Intramurals 1,2; Speech and Drama 3; student director.

WENDT, CHARLES FCA 3; NHS 2,3; RYC 1,2,3; Ex. bd. member 2, pres. 3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Football 1*,2*,3*: All-Conference 3; Basketball 1*,2*,3*: All-Tourney, All-Conference 3; Outstanding Basketball award 3; Track 1, 2*,3*: state qualifier 2, long jump, 3 long jump, low hurdles, 880-relay team record, long jump record, low-hurdle record, mile-relay team record, high-hurdle record, Outstanding Track award 3; Optimist Athlete of the Year 3; Young Citizen of the Year 3; Band 2,3; trumpet trio 2; Chorus 1,2,3; section leader 3, Outstanding Vocalist 3, Solist 2*,3*, Swing Choir 2,3; Homecoming King 3; scholastic letter 3.

WEST, STERLING NHS 2,3; RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 2,3; Cross-country 2,3*; Track 1,2*,3*: two mile-relay team record, mile-relay team record; Intramurals 2,3; Chorus 1,2,3; boys' quartet 2*,3*, Swing Choir 2,3; CARNIVAL 2.

WHITE, DENNIS ART 1,2,3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Wrestling 1*,2*,3*: Outstanding Wrestler Fremont tournament.

WILLERS, LINDA FHA 3; Pep Club 1,2,3; Speech and Drama 2.

WILLIAMS, PORTER Band 1,2,3; woodwind quintet 2,3*, Soloist 2*,3*.

WOOD, DEBBIE FHA 1; Ski Club 2; Pep Club 1,2; Girls' Glee 2.

WOODS, BEVERLY

WURTHMANN, HELEN RYC 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2; Majorette 2,3; Chorus 1,2; CARNIVAL 2.

WYSCARVER, JASON Intramurals 2,3; RAM TALES 2,3; RAM staff 2,3, sports editor 2,3; Quill and Scroll 2,3.

YARBROUGH, SHIRLEY FHA 1,2,3; his. 1, degree chairman 2,3; Pep Club 1,2.

ZIEMBA, PAUL Trans. from Omaha South 1. FCA 3; RYC 1,2,3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Football 1*,2*,3*; All-Conference 2, Outstanding Football award 1; Basketball 1*,2*,3*; Baseball 1*,2*; Homecoming King cand. 3; RAM TALES 3; RAM staff 3; County Govt. rep. 2.

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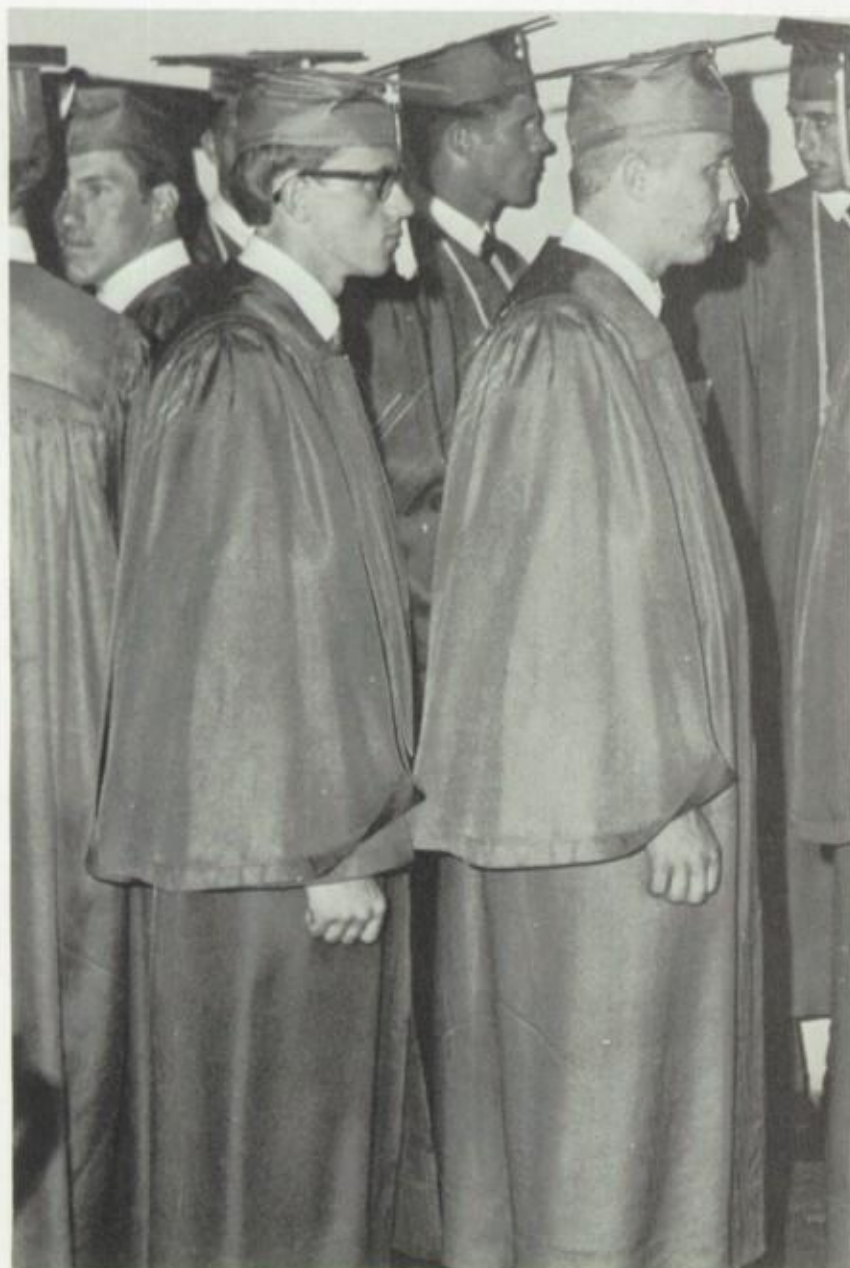
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